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Date: 5/23/66

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TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (157-168)
 FROM: SAC, CINCINNATI (157-245) (P)
 SUBJECT: NATIONAL KNIGHTS OF THE
 KU KLUX KLAN, INC.
 RM - KLAN
 (OO: ATLANTA)

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 DATE 8-23-88 BY SP8 JHJ/HK

Re Cleveland airtel to Bureau, 5/18/66.

On [redacted] Prob.) furnished the
 following information:

A small meeting was held at [redacted] farm,
 Oregonia, Ohio, 5/22/66. It was decided at the meeting
 that the planned three day klan rally for 5/28, 29, and
 30/66, would be cancelled and held instead over the
 7/4/66, weekend. The klan rally was cancelled because it
 was felt that there was not enough time to inform
 interested klan members about details of the rally, and
 this would have probably resulted in very poor attendance.

No LHM being submitted by Cincinnati due to
 the rally cancellation.

- 3 - Bureau (RM)
 - 2 - Atlanta (157-60) (RM)
 - 1 - Louisville (Info) (RM)
 - 2 - Cleveland (100-10261) (RM)
 - 3 - Cincinnati (2 - 157-245) (1 - [redacted])
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157-168-639

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DATE 8-23-88 INITIALS [redacted]

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 Special Agent in Charge

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

TO : DIRECTOR, FBI

DATE: 5/31/66

FROM : SAC, LOUISVILLE (157-356) (C)

SUBJECT:

RACIAL MATTERS - (KLAN)

OO: LOUISVILLE

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Enclosed are eight copies of a letterhead memorandum concerning the captioned individual.

It is not felt that the information in the enclosed warrants classification of the enclosed.

Copies of the enclosed have been disseminated locally to Secret Service.

In view of no information being developed, indicating the activities of are such as to require investigation of him, no further action is being taken; and this matter is being closed.

③-Bureau (Enc.8) ENCLOSURE
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UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE
FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

WASHINGTON, D.C. 20535

May 31, 1966

In Reply, Please Refer to
File No.

Director
United States Secret Service
Department of the Treasury
Washington, D. C. 20220

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DATE 8-23-88 BY SP845/JS

Dear Sir:

The information furnished herewith concerns an individual who is believed to be covered by the agreement between the FBI and Secret Service concerning Presidential protection, and to fall within the category or categories checked.

1. ☐ Has attempted or threatened bodily harm to any government official or employee, including foreign government officials residing in or planning an imminent visit to the U. S., because of his official status.
2. ☐ Has attempted or threatened to redress a grievance against any public official by other than legal means.
3. ☐ Because of background is potentially dangerous; or has been identified as member or participant in communist movement; or has been under active investigation as member of other group or organization inimical to U. S.
4. ☐ U. S. citizens or residents who defect from the U. S. to countries in the Soviet or Chinese Communist blocs and return.
5. ☒ Subversives, ultrarightists, racists and fascists who meet one or more of the following criteria:
 - (a) ☐ Evidence of emotional instability (including unstable residence and employment record) or irrational or suicidal behavior;
 - (b) ☐ Expressions of strong or violent anti-U. S. sentiment;
 - (c) ☐ Prior acts (including arrests or convictions) or conduct or statements indicating a propensity for violence and antipathy toward good order and government.
6. ☐ Individuals involved in illegal bombing or illegal bomb-making.

Photograph ☐ has been furnished ☐ enclosed ☒ is not available
☐ may be available through _____

Very truly yours,


John Edgar Hoover
Director

1 - Special Agent in Charge (Enclosure(s) 1)
U. S. Secret Service, Louisville, Kentucky

Enclosure(s) (1)

(Upon removal of classified enclosures, if any, this transmittal form
becomes UNCLASSIFIED.)



UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE
FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

In Reply, Please Refer to
File No.

Louisville 2, Kentucky

May 31, 1966

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[REDACTED]
RACIAL MATTERS - KLAN

On September 25, 1965, members of the Kentucky State Police advised that among automobiles observed by them at a rally on that date of the National Knights of the Ku Klux Klan (NKKKK) held at the Old Sanfordtown ballfield located one mile South of Covington, Kentucky, was a 1959 Chevrolet station wagon bearing 1965 Kentucky license 567-136. Further it had been determined this license was registered to [REDACTED] Elsmere, Kentucky

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Information concerning the NKKKK is set forth in the appendix of this memorandum.

On January 25, 1966, [REDACTED] was contacted at her residence, [REDACTED] and she advised that she did own a 1959 Chevrolet Station Wagon, but that her husband sold this vehicle to a [REDACTED] around July of 1965. She stated that [REDACTED] was employed at the Barnett Texaco Service Station in Florence, Kentucky.

[REDACTED] advised that neither she nor anyone in the family was a member of the Klan or ever has been a member of the Klan. She also stated that no one in the family, including herself, had ever attended a Klan rally either in Ohio or the Northern Kentucky area.

[REDACTED] advised that she recalled reading in the paper items concerning Klan rallies which were held in the Covington, Kentucky area in September of 1965, but she stated at this time she was certain she did not own the 1959 Chevrolet Station Wagon.

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ENCLOSURE

LS 157-333

On March 22, 1966, [redacted]
Northern Kentucky Credit Bureau, advised that his files
reflected the following information on [redacted]
residence [redacted]

Occupation

Barnett Texaco Service
Station, Florence,
Kentucky, since
June, 1965

Previous employment

Checker Stores,
Cincinnati, Ohio;
St. Elizabeth Hospital
Maintenance Man

In January, 1963, [redacted] was sued by Gulf Oil
for \$240.86 with interest. In May, 1963, his driver's
license was suspended, accumulated 14 points on two counts
of speeding and one for reckless and improper driving. In
April, 1964, a garnishment was listed by Family Finance,
Covington, for \$453.23.

On March 22, 1966, [redacted]
Identification Division, Covington, Kentucky, Police
Department, advised that his records reflected the
following information on [redacted]

Residence

Previous Residence

[redacted]

Attached is a copy of a report of interview with
[redacted] on January 27, 1966, at Florence, Kentucky.

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FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

Date February 7, 1966

[redacted] was contacted at his place of employment, the Barnett Texaco Service Station, Dixie Highway, Florence, Kentucky. He was immediately advised by SA [redacted] that he did not have to say anything, that anything he did say might be used against him in a court of law, and was also advised he could surely consult with anyone he wished and could obtain the services of an attorney prior to making any statement.

[redacted] advised that he owned a 1963 Chevrolet Station Wagon which he purchased from [redacted] during the summer of 1965. When asked if he had attended any Klan rallies [redacted] advised that he attended the Klan rallies held in Covington, Kentucky, on September 25, 1965. He stated that he also attended the Klan rally in New Brunswick, Ohio. He stated he also attended the Klan rally this being during the summer of 1965, and felt the month was about July. He stated he attended these rallies because he was interested in what the people had to say and desired to get a meaning of what the Klan stood for.

[redacted] stated he is not a member of the Ku Klux Klan nor has he ever been a member of the Klan. He advised that he has never taken any oaths in the Klan and has never paid any money for Klan purposes.

[redacted] further advised that to the best of his knowledge he knows of no one who is a member of the Ku Klux Klan.

The following is a description of [redacted] obtained through observation and interview:

Residence: [redacted]

POB: [redacted]

DOB: [redacted]

Hair: [redacted]

Eyes: [redacted]

On 1/27/66 at Florence, Kentucky File # LS 157-356

by SA [redacted] ac [redacted] Date dictated 2/1/66

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Nationality:
Marital status:
Employment:
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TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (157-168)

FROM: SAC, CLEVELAND (100-10261) (P)

RE: NATIONAL KNIGHTS OF THE KU KLUX KLAN
RACIAL MATTERS - KLAN

OO: AT

[redacted] orally advised SA [redacted] on [redacted]
that at a regular NKKKK Klavern #6 meeting held 6-2-66, at
Cleveland a collection of \$20.00 was taken up for the defense
fund of klansmen arrested at Dillsboro, Indiana, late 1965.
This money is to be turned over to Ohio State NKKKK [redacted]
[redacted]

NKKKK collections for the forthcoming Dillsboro,
Indiana, trial have previously been reported to the Bureau and
as it appears that these collections are on a continuing basis
at Klavern meetings this has therefore not been made the
subject of a letterhead memorandum.

Copies of informant's report relative to the above
will subsequently be furnished the Cincinnati and Indianapolis
offices.

- 3 - Bureau (RM)
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TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (157-168)

FROM: SAC, CLEVELAND (100-10261) (P)

RE: NATIONAL KNIGHTS OF THE KU KLUX KLAN
RM - KLAN
(OO:AT)

[redacted] on [redacted] orally advised SA [redacted]
[redacted] that early a.m. of [redacted] he telephonically contacted
JAMES R. VENABLE, Stone Mountain, Ga., on instructions from
membership of NKKKK Klavern #6, Cleveland, to report
to VENABLE their dissatisfaction with NKKKK [redacted]
[redacted] and possibility some members would go over to
United Klans of America in event nothing done about [redacted]
VENABLE advised that [redacted] has no real authority, but he
would write [redacted] to take care of matter.

The Atlanta Office will subsequently be furnished
copies of informant's report.

The above is being furnished to alert the Cincinnati
and Atlanta Offices to the possibility of VENABLE's coming to
Ohio in the near future.

This info was not incorporated into an LHM at this
time as it is of non-specific nature.

- 3 - Bureau (RM)
- 2 - Atlanta (157-60) (RM)
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Date: 6/6/66

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TO: DIRECTOR, FBI

FROM: SAC, ATLANTA (157-60)

SUBJECT: NATIONAL KNIGHTS OF THE
KU KLUX KLAN, INC.
RM - KLAN

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Enclosed herewith for the Bureau are 2 copies of an LHM concerning a rally of above captioned organization at Hartwell, Georgia, on 6/4/66. One copy of the LHM is also enclosed for Birmingham, Columbia, and Savannah.

The confidential source utilized in the LHM is
[redacted] confidential source of the Atlanta Division.

ENCLOSURE

- ③ - Bureau (Encs. 2) (RM)
1 - Birmingham (Enc. 1)
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Klan Unit

AGENCY: ACSI, ONI, OSI, SEC SER

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DATE FORW: 6-15-66

HOW FORW: R.S.

BY: JCH-sh

cc. Wick

Approved: [Signature]
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FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

In Reply, Please Refer to
File No.

Atlanta, Georgia
June 6, 1966

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RALLY SPONSORED BY NATIONAL
KNIGHTS OF THE KU KLUX KLAN, INC.,
HARTWELL, GEORGIA, JUNE 4, 1966

On June 6, 1966, a confidential source advised that on June 4, 1966, a rally sponsored by the National Knights of the Ku Klux Klan, Inc. was held at Hartwell, Georgia. A characterization of National Knights of the Ku Klux Klan is attached hereto.

The source advised that approximately 100 to 150 people attended the rally. Several attended from South Carolina and were believed to be members of the Association of South Carolina Klans. The identities of those attending from South Carolina are not known to the source. Speakers at the meeting were [redacted] and Imperial Wizard James R. Venable. Another speaker was a [redacted] from Bloomingdale or Savannah, Georgia. His first name is unknown to the source.

The meeting commenced at 8:00 PM and [redacted], Venable, and [redacted] gave speeches concerning Communist influence in American government and spoke in favor of segregation policies. The meeting lasted about one and a half to two hours and there were no acts of violence.

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FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

Atlanta, Georgia
June 6, 1966

*In Reply, Please Refer to
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Title RALLY SPONSORED BY NATIONAL
KNIGHTS OF THE KU KLUX KLAN, INC.,
HARTWELL, GEORGIA, JUNE 4, 1966

Character

Reference Letterhead memorandum at Atlanta,
Georgia, dated and captioned
as above.

All sources (except any listed below) whose identities
are concealed in referenced communication have furnished reliable
information in the past.

Director, FBI

June 17, 1966

SAC, Cleveland (157-504) (P)

THREAT AGAINST THE PRESIDENT
RACIAL MATTER - KLAN

OO: Cleveland

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Title changed to reflect true name of subject.
Title formerly carried as [redacted] aka.

Re Cleveland airtel to the Bureau, 2/14/66, captioned
"RACIAL MATTER - KLAN, RACIAL MATTER - KLAN";
Cleveland let to Cincinnati, 5/4/66.

On April 30, 1966, SA [redacted] United States
Secret Service, Cleveland, Ohio, advised that their office
had determined that subject's true name is [redacted]
that he resided at [redacted] that he is
employed as a welder at a Chevrolet plant; and that his
name is [redacted]

On June 17, 1966, [redacted]
Credit Bureau of Medina, Medina, Ohio, advised subject was
in file since 1959. She said they currently reside
at the above address and that subject is employed as indicated
above. She said his credit is rated okay, and that they
have one collection listed on [redacted] from a credit bureau
in Lorain, Ohio, on August 25, 1963. She said, however, that
this collection was contested by [redacted] She further advised
that subject owns his home, lists no other addresses, and is
approximately [redacted] years old.

4-Bureau (RM)
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On June 17, 1966, [REDACTED] Medina County Sheriff's Office, Medina, Ohio, advised that their files do not contain any record identifiable with subject. He further advised that subject's name had never come to his attention in regard to Klan activities in Medina County.

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CINCINNATI

Will report results of informant contacts as set forth in referenced letter to Cincinnati.

CLEVELAND

At Valley City, Ohio

Will, unless advised to the contrary by the Bureau, interview subject regarding his Klan affiliation after receipt of information from Cincinnati. Results of this interview will be set forth in a form suitable for dissemination.

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FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

REPORTING OFFICE CHARLOTTE	OFFICE OF ORIGIN ATLANTA	DATE 6/17/66	INVESTIGATIVE PERIOD 6/13-15/66
TITLE OF CASE NATIONAL KNIGHTS OF THE KU KLUX KLAN, INC.		REPORT MADE BY SA [redacted]	TYPED BY mjh
		CHARACTER OF CASE RACIAL MATTERS - KLAN	

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DATE 8-23-88 BY SP8 [signature]

REFERENCE:

Report of SA [redacted] 1/10/66,
at Charlotte.

- RUC -

ADMINISTRATIVE:

[redacted] was interviewed by SA [redacted]
in connection with the individual case on [redacted] Charlotte
file 157-924.

[redacted] was interviewed by SA [redacted]
in connection with the individual case on [redacted] Charlotte
file 157-670.

This case is being RUC'd inasmuch as no information
is available that there is an organization operating in North
Carolina at the present time. The only known klavern of

APPROVED <i>Rm</i>	SPECIAL AGENT IN CHARGE	DO NOT WRITE IN SPACES BELOW	
COPIES MADE:	8 - Bureau (157-168) (RM) 1 - NISO, Charleston, S.C. (RM) 1 - OSI, Langley AFB, Va. (RM) 1 - G-2, Fort McPherson, Ga. (RM) 1 - Secret Service, Charlotte, N.C. (RM) 2 - Atlanta (157-60) (RM) 2 - Charlotte (157-193)	157-168-646 JUN 20 1966	REC-65 SI-102
Dissemination Record of Attached Report Agency: ACSI, ONI, OSI, SEC SER Request Recd. DEPT ISD: CRD Date Fwd. DATE FORW: 6-28-66 How Fwd. HOW FORW: R.S. By: [signature]		Notations 1cc detached by Klan Unit INT. SEC.	

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National Knights of the Ku Klux Klan was situated at Raleigh, N. C. No meetings of this unit have been held since November, 1965.

INFORMANTS:

<u>Identity</u>		<u>Location</u>
	is (PROB).	
	is (PROB).	

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FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

Copy to: NISO, Charleston, S. C. (RM)
OSI, Langley AFB, Va. (RM)
G-2, Fort McPherson, Ga. (RM)
Secret Service, Charlotte, N.C. (RM)

Report of:
Date:

SA [REDACTED]
6/17/66

Office: CHARLOTTE

Field Office File #: 157-193

Bureau File #: 157-168

Title: NATIONAL KNIGHTS OF THE KU KLUX KLAN, INC.

Character: RACIAL MATTERS - KLAN

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Synopsis:

On 1/12/66, information received that [REDACTED]
[REDACTED] of National Knights of the Ku Klux Klan, Inc. (NKKKK)
in North Carolina, had gotten religion and announced his
intention of resigning from NKKKK. [REDACTED] was interviewed
4/15/66, at which time he advised he is no longer associated
with any phase of NKKKK. He stated that there was never
anything to this organization and that it never got off the
ground. [REDACTED] Raleigh, N.C., was inter-
viewed 5/5/66 and advised he was formerly [REDACTED]
of the Raleigh, N. C., Klavern of NKKKK. He stated the
organization is presently in a stagnant position due to the
inapt leadership of [REDACTED] said the policy of
NKKKK is one of complete non-violence. According to a
source, the last meeting of the Raleigh Unit of NKKKK was
held in late November, 1965, at which time it was decided
that no further meetings would be held until June or July,
1966.

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DETAILS:

[REDACTED] advised that on [REDACTED]
[REDACTED] of the National Knights of the Ku Klux
Klan (NKKKK) in North Carolina, stated he had "gotten religion"
and announced his intention of resigning from NKKKK. He

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proposed that he [] and [] travel throughout North Carolina designating themselves as ex-Klansmen and hold revival-type meetings during which they would tell the truth about the Klan.

[] suggested that they state that while the Klan indicates it is opposed to integration, in fact the Klan has done nothing to fight integration but instead has taken the money of persons who were seeking membership in the Klan. [] stated this action would close out attempts of the NKKKK to organize in North Carolina.

On April 15, 1966, [] was interviewed at his residence, [] by an Agent of the FBI in connection with another matter.

[] advised he is no longer associated with any phase of the NKKKK. He explained he has "found the way of the Lord" and has joined the church. [] said there was never anything to the NKKKK and he does not believe he ever recruited a member. He said this organization never got off the ground although he did go to Raleigh, North Carolina, to obtain papers for incorporation. He stated "the man from Georgia," not further identified, told him that he would have to send 50 per cent of all the money he took in to this man in Georgia. He advised the only people in the NKKKK in North Carolina were his wife and he and that it was a short-lived operation.

[] advised on [] that the last meeting of the Raleigh Klavern of the NKKKK was held during the latter part of November, 1965. This meeting, which took place at 2009 Miles Street, Raleigh, was attended by approximately five persons. [] led the meeting. The person who resides at [] stated he did not wish anymore meetings to be held at his residence. A discussion was held concerning a possible meeting place and no suitable place was known; therefore, it was decided no future meetings would be held until at least June or July, 1966. Since

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that time no information has been received indicating there is any interest in again holding meetings of this klavern.

It is not known if there are any other units of the NKKKK operating in North Carolina.

[redacted]
[redacted] was interviewed on May 5, 1966, by a Special Agent of the FBI concerning another matter.

During this interview [redacted] advised he was formerly [redacted] of the Raleigh Unit of NKKKK and said that he is [redacted] #4 of NKKKK but declined to state whether there are additional units other than at Raleigh.

[redacted] stated that [redacted]
[redacted] was appointed [redacted] of this organization sometime around the beginning of 1965. He said the NKKKK is presently in a stagnant position due to the inapt leadership of [redacted]

He advised that he is attempting to set up a meeting with JAMES VENABLE, Atlanta, Georgia, who is head of the NKKKK, as a result of determining that \$50 which was given to [redacted] by the Raleigh Klavern sometime last year had never been forwarded to the national headquarters.

[redacted] stated he has had no recent contact with [redacted] and does not know his present activities. He said he had been asked to take the job of [redacted] by an individual whose identity he refused to disclose.

He advised the policy of the NKKKK is one of complete non-violence and that the organization is opposed to cross burnings and other forms of harassment. He said the organization is a segregationist group and that he joined the NKKKK after a discussion with [redacted] at which time it was his belief that the organization would attempt to fight Communism and integration by getting out the white vote.

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He advised he would not disclose any information concerning the membership of NKKKK. He advised that it is his hope that at some future time a meeting will be held at which a new Grand Dragon of the organization for North Carolina can be elected.

On [redacted] advised that the NKKKK has not been holding any meetings in the Raleigh area and no information is available indicating meetings will be held in the future.

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A characterization of the NKKKK is attached as an appendix to this report.



In Reply, Please Refer to
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UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE
FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

Charlotte, North Carolina
June 17, 1966

Title NATIONAL KNIGHTS OF THE
 KU KLUX KLAN

Character RACIAL MATTERS - KLAN

Reference Report of Special Agent
 [redacted] dated
 June 17, 1966, at Charlotte,
 North Carolina, captioned as
 above.

All sources (except any listed below) whose identities
are concealed in referenced communication have furnished reliable
information in the past.

[redacted] who has furnished insufficient information
upon which his reliability may be judged.

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

TO : DIRECTOR, FBI (157-168)

DATE: 6/20/66

FROM : SAC, CINCINNATI (157-245) (P)

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SUBJECT: NATIONAL KNIGHTS OF THE KU KLUX KLAN, INC.
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Re report of SA [] 3/25/66 at
Cincinnati.

A review of captioned matter indicates no
pertinent activity has taken place within the Cincinnati
Division since submission of last report.

Several small picket demonstrations took place
at Kettering, Ohio, Board of Education and on each occasion
details were furnished and disseminated by LHM.

In view of above, Cincinnati will submit next
report by 9/25/66, UACB.

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Today [] (PROB) advised as follows:

A Klan rally has been definitely scheduled to be held on [] farm, Oregonia, Ohio over the week end of July 2, 3, and 4, 1966. Some of the details were discussed 6/19/66 on [] farm, however, complete arrangements have not been handled as yet.

There is a possibility that [] will furnish pertinent information to the news media over week end of June 25, concerning the planned rally. As yet no letters have been mailed out to Klansmen inviting them to attend the rally, however, this will probably be done within the next five to six days.

There is a strong possibility that JAMES R. VENABLE, Imperial Wizard captioned Klan, will attend this rally.

An individual named [] from Akron, Ohio, has been identified as the [] sitting on the [] of NKKKK in Ohio. [] identity was previously unknown.

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An LHM is not being furnished at this time because of the discrete nature of information furnished by Cincinnati informant. Appropriate LHM will be furnished the Bureau prior to date of rally.

Informational copies of this communication are being furnished Pittsburgh, Indianapolis, and Louisville in view of their interest in this matter.

LEADS:

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AT TUCKER, GEORGIA

Contact sources re scheduled Klan rally and attempt to verify if VENABLE or other Klan leaders plan on traveling to Ohio to speak at this rally.

CLEVELAND DIVISION

AT AKRON, OHIO

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Conduct logical background investigation re [redacted] described above.

AT CLEVELAND, OHIO

Contact and alert sources re scheduled Klan rally.

CINCINNATI DIVISION

AT CINCINNATI, OHIO

Will closely follow this matter with [redacted] (PROB).

EACH OFFICE SHOULD BE MOST DISCRETE IN HANDLING THE ABOVE INFORMATION SINCE ONLY A SELECTED NUMBER OF INDIVIDUALS CURRENTLY KNOW OF THE DETAILS AND PLANS FOR SCHEDULED RALLY.

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REFERENCE:

Report of SA dated 12-22-65 at Atlanta.

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Information copies furnished Jackson and St. Louis in view of information contained herein concerning activities or possible activities of this organization in those Divisions.

Information copy furnished Savannah in view of activities in Georgia covered by the Savannah Division.

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Will follow and report additional activities of this organization.

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ADMINISTRATIVE:

The submission of this report was delayed due to assignment of expedite racial and civil rights matters in the Atlanta Division.

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Report of: SA [redacted] Office: ATLANTA
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Character:

RACIAL MATTERS - KLAN

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Synopsis:

Headquarters of NKKKK located at Carl Garmon Building, Tucker, Ga. JAMES R. VENABLE is Imperial Wizard of that organization. NKKKK has a unit at Barnesville, Ga. One unit has also been chartered at Thomaston, Ga., but it meets with the Barnesville unit. Members of Barnesville unit have threatened to do away with Federal inspectors who will check on schools in Lamar County, Ga. Plans to burn crosses at Griffin, Ga., by the Barnesville unit in January, 1966, failed. [redacted] of the Barnesville unit has stated he [redacted] in Barnesville since it is believed public schools in Lamar County will be integrated in the Fall of 1966. NKKKK treasury usually has less than \$100. No publications or propaganda issued by NKKKK. The organization held rallies at Stone Mountain, Ga., 4-30-66 and 11-25-65.

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DETAILS:

A characterization of the National
Knights of the Ku Klux Klan, Inc. (NKKKK)
is included in the Appendix of this report.

I. ORGANIZATIONAL STRUCTURE

A. Headquarters

As of March 4, 1966, the address for NKKKK was
at Post Office Box 107, Tucker, Georgia, telephone number

Headquarters of NKKKK is located in the Carl
Garmon Building, Lawrenceville Highway, Tucker, Georgia.

B. National Officers

As of October 6, 1965, National Officers of
the NKKKK are as follows:

JAMES B. VENABLE

Imperial Wizard

OF SUBJECT ORGANIZATION

II. KLAVERNS OR LOCAL CHAPTERS

A unit of the NKKKK has been organized at Thomaston, Georgia, and is known as the Thomaston Klavern; however, this unit will meet with the Barnesville, Georgia, unit and officers of the Thomaston unit will take charge of the meetings every other week.

Officers of the [] unit are as follows:

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On [redacted] the members of the Centre, Alabama, unit of the NKKKK voted to transfer their membership to the United Klans of America, Inc., Knights of the Ku Klux Klan.

[redacted]
A characterization of the United Klans of America, Inc., Knights of the Ku Klux Klan (UKA) is included in the Appendix of this report.

III. ACTIVITY OF KLAVERNS

A. Meetings

No meetings of the Barnesville Klavern of NKKKK were held during November, 1965.

On [redacted] 4 members of the Barnesville unit of NKKKK met at the home of [redacted] for the purpose of a meeting. Since only 4 were present, no meeting was held.

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A meeting of the Barnesville unit of NKKKK was held Saturday morning, [redacted] at 1:30 a.m. Between 15 and 18 persons were present. The meeting was held in a tin barn located across the road from [redacted] residence, member of that unit.

On [redacted] a meeting of the Barnesville unit of NKKKK was held at the Klavern located across the road from [redacted] at Barnesville, Georgia. Seven members were present.

On [redacted] a meeting of the Barnesville unit was held at the regular meeting place in Barnesville, Georgia. Twelve members were present.

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On [redacted] a meeting of the Barnesville unit was held at the regular meeting place across from the home of [redacted] Ten members were present.

On [redacted] a meeting of Barnesville unit was held at the regular meeting place and 11 persons were present.

On [redacted] a meeting of Barnesville unit was held at the regular meeting place and ten members were present.

On [redacted] a meeting of Barnesville unit was held at the regular meeting place and 11 members were present.

On [redacted] a meeting of Barnesville unit was held at the regular meeting place with 11 members present.

On [redacted] a meeting of the Barnesville unit was held at the regular meeting place and 6 members were present.

On [redacted] a meeting of Barnesville unit was held at the regular meeting place in Barnesville, Georgia. Eight were present

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B. Miscellaneous

At the meeting of the Barnesville unit of the NKKKK held on March 13, 1966, [redacted] a member of that unit, stated that beginning with the school term in the fall of 1966, the Federal Government will have inspectors checking all schools and the first inspector to check on schools in Lamar County will have to be done away

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with and the one that takes his place will have to be done away with and all others who come after that. He said each member of the Klan would have to be prepared to help do away with the Federal inspectors.

[redacted]
At the meeting of the Barnesville unit held at Barnesville, Georgia, [redacted] a member of that unit, told the members present about his trip to Washington, D.C., to appear before the House Committee on Un-American Activities (HCUA) which was investigating Klan activities. [redacted] stated he contacted JAMES R. VENABLE, Imperial Wizard of the NKKKK, and VENABLE told him not to worry since he was not going to tell the Committee anything about Klan activities.

[redacted] MEMBER OF SUBJECT ORGANIZATION

At the meeting of Barnesville unit held [redacted] a member of that unit, made a talk to those present and stated the Klan may have to go underground. He said that in that event, the Klan would break up into small groups of 5 or less with only the leader to report on the activities of the squads. [redacted] claimed he knew the names of all FBI Agents and the tag numbers of their cars. [redacted] instructed the members not to reveal the names of the members of the Klan on penalty of death and told the members not to tell the FBI anything if questioned. [redacted] told those present that they could get any kind of a weapon, including shotguns, M-1 rifles, etc., at Smith's Garage, which is located on the west side of La Grange, Georgia. [redacted] offered to cut off shotgun barrels without charge. [redacted] said that pump shotguns eject shells and leave evidence, whereas, shotguns with "ears" have to be broken open and the empty cartridges can be placed in the shooter's pocket.

[redacted] MEMBER OF SUBJECT ORGANIZATION

At a meeting of the Barnesville, Georgia, unit held [redacted]

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On January 15, 1966, five members of the Barnesville unit of the NKKKK met at the Klavern building. Members were dressed in black clothing; three other men arrived. These men were not dressed in black. These eight waited for [redacted] an employee of the Propane Gas Company, Milner, Georgia, to arrive with crosses and gasoline but [redacted] failed to come to the Klavern. This group had planned to burn three crosses in Griffin, Georgia, on the night of [redacted] but it was decided then that the cross burnings should be delayed for two weeks. One of those present made a statement that one of the crosses would have to be burned in front of the home of Chief of Police LEO BLACKWELL, Griffin, Georgia. Chief BLACKWELL had testified before HCUA hearings. The purpose of the cross burnings was to obtain publicity.

[redacted]

On [redacted] members of the Barnesville unit of NKKKK went to Griffin, Georgia, to determine plans for cross burnings at Griffin, Georgia, on the night of January 29, 1966. The members of that unit had been unable to find the location of the residence of Chief of Police BLACKWELL at Griffin and, therefore, were unable to burn a cross in the front of BLACKWELL's home. It was decided to postpone the cross burnings until a later time. The cross burning was postponed indefinitely.

[redacted]

During January, 1966, [redacted] and his [redacted] the Barnesville unit of the NKKKK, made plans to establish a private school in Lamar County, Georgia, in which county Barnesville is located. They said the school would be located at the [redacted] church which is on the [redacted] property and the [redacted] would be [redacted]. [redacted] said the school would have no connection with the Klan. The purpose of organizing the school is based on the belief by the [redacted] that public schools in Lamar County would be integrated by the Fall of 1966.

[redacted] said that a [redacted] of Griffin was helping to prepare the bylaws and obtain a charter for that school.

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IV. FINANCES

The exact amount in the treasury of the NKKKK is not known, however, its treasury is generally very small, amounting to usually less than \$100.

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V. PUBLICATIONS AND PROPAGANDA

The NKKKK is not known to have issued any publications or conducted propaganda type activity in recent months.

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VI. MISCELLANEOUS

On April 30, 1966, a rally sponsored by NKKKK was held in a pasture owned by JAMES R. VENABLE, Imperial Wizard of NKKKK, at Stone Mountain, Georgia. Approximately 75 people attended the rally and cross burning. Twelve were dressed in Klan robes. The public speaking began at approximately 8:20 p.m. It was opened with a prayer by a person identified as the Imperial Kludd. The first speaker was VENABLE who stated that the white politician has sold the white people in America down the river for the Negro vote. VENABLE stated that if the present civil rights bill now pending in Congress is passed, people would not be able to travel from one city to another without first registering and furnishing information as to where they were going and what their business was. VENABLE stated that bill, if made law, would also take away the rights of the people to carry firearms. VENABLE called for the Klan to go underground and stated Klansmen should enlighten the white people as to what was going on. VENABLE stated the Federal School Guideline is another attempt by the Federal Government to take away rights from the people. VENABLE urged all white people who believe in the constitutional form of government to join the Klan and urged all of them to register and vote.

Following VENABLE's speech, a man dressed in a black robe, whose identity is unknown and who stated he was from South Carolina, made a short speech. That person

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stated that President JOHNSON had said he was going to finish the Klan but he wanted the President to know that the Klan was riding before he came into power and would be riding long after he was gone and forgotten.

Following that second speech, two crosses were burned. The Klansmen who were in robes circled around the cross and were joined by approximately five men who were dressed in black shirts and trousers. One of the men dressed in black was [redacted] who was wearing a black holster and revolver.

On January 7, 1966, Chief of Police SAM YARBROUGH, Pulaski, Tennessee, advised that JAMES R. VENABLE, a white male who claimed to be a Chaplain, and an elderly white woman appeared at the Pulaski, Tennessee, Police Department on December 24, 1965, and made inquiry concerning a rally to be held in Pulaski that day. [redacted] advised them there was no Klan meeting to be held at Pulaski on that date to his knowledge. VENABLE appeared at the "Giles Free Press," a Pulaski, Tennessee, newspaper, and announced their presence in Pulaski. VENABLE advised he did not contemplate any march or parade on the part of NKKKK while in Pulaski. The newspaper asked VENABLE to pose in his robe and he refused to do so. [redacted] advised there was no Klan activity in Pulaski on December 24, 1965.

On the evening of November 25, 1965, the NKKKK held a rally and cross burning in the pasture of JAMES R. VENABLE at Stone Mountain, Georgia. The rally had been advertised as the 50th anniversary celebration of the founding of the Ku Klux Klan atop Stone Mountain. About 35 to 40 people were present and the rally started at about 8 p.m. The first speaker was [redacted] who claimed the President of the United States was giving America to the communists. VENABLE, Imperial Wizard of NKKKK, was the main speaker. He said white people must unite and restore freedom to America. He stated the Klan will live forever regardless of investigation by the HCUA. He said the Klan will never give the country to Negroes and communists.

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During December, 1965, [redacted] St. Louis, Missouri, stated he planned to attend a meeting of the NKKKK at Stone Mountain, Georgia, on January 1, 1966. [redacted] had recently been promoting the NKKKK in St. Louis and claimed to be a member of that organization.

An organizational meeting of the proposed St. Louis NKKKK was scheduled to be held at the residence of [redacted]

[redacted] at 6:30 p.m., February 12, 1966. The meeting was arranged by [redacted] who claimed to have been [redacted] of the NKKKK for the State of Missouri and claimed to have a charter granted to him to institute a new Klavern in St. Louis.

[redacted] was interested in establishing a Klavern and becoming a member of NKKKK. The organizational meeting originally scheduled for January 29, 1966, was cancelled at the last minute by [redacted] who said the area was being watched.

MEMBER OF SUBJECT ORGANIZATION

On [redacted] nine persons attended an organizational meeting and initiation of a proposed St. Louis Klavern of the NKKKK at St. Louis, Missouri. The meeting was held at the residence of [redacted]

[redacted] who claimed to have been [redacted] for the State of Missouri was not present. In [redacted] absence, [redacted] St. Louis, presided. Four persons were sworn into membership, including [redacted]

No specific program was decided upon. [redacted] advised those present that [redacted] had developed a [redacted]

During January, 1966, organizational difficulties in the UKA resulted in consideration being given by some members of the UKA in the State of Mississippi to joining with the NKKKK.

No apparent interest resulted in considerations for joining the NKKKK after the partial breakup of the UKA

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in Mississippi. Those who were discontented with the UKA reorganized and attempts are being made by that group to reunite with other Klan type organizations.

[redacted] had attempted to contact individuals in the Meridian, Mississippi, area with thoughts of affiliating with the NKKKK but gave up such plans when he attempted to hold an organizational meeting and only a few were present.

[redacted] decided to abandon all attempts to organize with the NKKKK when it was learned that his plans were no longer secret.

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UNITED KLANS OF AMERICA, INC.
KNIGHTS OF THE KU KLUX KLAN (UNITED KLANS)

Records of Superior Court of Fulton County, Georgia, show that this Klan organization was granted a corporate charter on February 21, 1961, at Atlanta, Georgia, under the name of United Klans, Knights of the Ku Klux Klan of America, Inc.

A source advised on February 27, 1961, that United Klans was formed as a result of a split in U. S. Klans, Knights of the Ku Klux Klan, Inc. According to the source, the split resulted from a leadership dispute, and the United Klans has the same aims and objectives as the parent group. These are the promotion of Americanism, white supremacy, and segregation of the races.

The [] source and a [] source advised in [] that United Klans, Knights of the Ku Klux Klan of America, Inc., merged with Alabama Knights, Knights of the Ku Klux Klan. The merged organization established headquarters in Suite 401, the Alston Building, Tuscaloosa, Alabama. The organization is [] b [] and is the dominant Klan group in the South with units in several southern states.

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On [] the [] source advised that the organization formerly known as United Klans, Knights of the Ku Klux Klan of America, Inc., would be known in the future as United Klans of America, Inc., Knights of the Ku Klux Klan. The [] source said the name was changed by a resolution adopted at the National Klonvocation held July 8, 1961, at Indian Springs, Georgia.

[] source advised that at a meeting at Prattville, Alabama, on October 22, 1961, a majority of the klaverns of the U. S. Klans, Knights of the Ku Klux Klan, merged with the United Klans of America, Inc., Knights of the Ku Klux Klan.



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In Reply, Please Refer to
File No.

Atlanta, Georgia
June 23, 1966

Title	NATIONAL KNIGHTS OF THE KU KLUX KLAN
Character	RACIAL MATTERS - KLAN
Reference	Atlanta report of Special Agent [redacted] dated June 23, 1966

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All sources (except any listed below) whose identities are concealed in referenced communication have furnished reliable information in the past.

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FROM: SAC, CLEVELAND (100-10261) (P)

RE: NATIONAL KNIGHTS OF THE KU KLUX KLAN
RACIAL MATTERS - KLAN

OO: ATLANTA

Re CI airtel to the Bureau, 6/20/66.

[redacted] or [redacted] furnished the CV Office with a copy of an announcement entitled "Ku Klux Klan Rally", received by mail on 6/22/66, from [redacted]. Announcement notes NKKKK will hold its first Ohio Rally of 1966 on 7/2, 3, 4/66 from 12:00 noon to 11:00 P.M., each day at the [redacted] farm, Oregonia, Ohio. Speakers will be "The Honorable JAMES R. VENABLE, Imperial Wizzard, Atlanta, Georgia; The [redacted] plus other speakers". "Cross burnings will take place on Saturday and Monday, 10:00 P.M."

In addition to the announcement, the same piece of mail contained an undated and mimeographed "Rally News Letter", which solicits help on the [redacted] farm, 6/25, 26/66, to set up for the rally; notes rally preview will be held Saturday, 6/25/66, at 9:00 A.M.; solicited people to pass out leaflets a few days prior to the rally, work at the stands, guards and also notes that members should bring robes if they wish to wear them at the rally.

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[redacted] plans to be in Oregonia [redacted] to assist in rally preparations and expects to attend actual rally.

The above is being furnished to confirm information set forth in referenced airtel, as well as to alert CI on coverage of this affair by [redacted]

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Optional Rights of the KKKKK KKK
Re Cincinnati airtel to Bureau dated 6/20/66.

Enclosed for Bureau are eight copies of LHM suitable for dissemination. Enclosed for Atlanta and Cleveland are two copies of LHM. Also enclosed for Louisville, Indianapolis, and Pittsburgh is one copy each of LHM for information purposes.

One copy of LHM is being furnished to U. S. Secret Service and 109th INTC Group, locally.

On [redacted] (PROB) furnished information re this matter to SA [redacted]

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AT LEBANON, OHIO

1. Will alert and advise the Warren County SO of full details for scheduled rally.
2. Will also alert and advise the local OSHP Post.

AT COLUMBUS, OHIO

Will alert and advise OSHP headquarters re rally.

AT CINCINNATI, OHIO

1. Advise Cincinnati PD re rally.
2. Will closely follow with source and submit follow-up LHM when rally is concluded.

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Cincinnati, Ohio
June 24, 1966

SCHEDULED NATIONAL KNIGHTS OF THE
KU KLUX KLAN (NKKKK) RALLY
JULY 2, 3, & 4, 1966,

[redacted] ARM,
OREGONIA, OHIO (WARREN COUNTY)

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On June 20, 1966, a confidential source of the Cincinnati FBI Office furnished the following information to a representative of the Cincinnati FBI Office:

A Klan rally has definitely been scheduled to be held on [redacted] farm, Oregonia, Ohio (Warren County) over the week end of July 2, 3, and 4, 1966. [redacted] is the leading force behind this rally and will evidently be the main organizer. Some of the details concerning the rally were discussed on [redacted] farm, June 19, 1966, and as of now complete arrangements have not as yet been handled.

There is a possibility that [redacted] will furnish pertinent information to the news media over the week end of July 25, 1966 concerning this scheduled rally.

There is a strong possibility that James R. Venable, Imperial Wizard captioned Klan, will attend the rally.

On June 24, 1966, this same confidential source advised as follows:

[redacted] has mailed out an unknown number of letters to Klansmen and individuals sympathetic to the Klan inviting them to captioned Klan rally. At the present time, there is no indication how many individuals will attend the rally. Two crosses are expected to be burned during the PM of Saturday, July 2, and the evening of Monday, July 4, 1966. The rally is expected to be staged without incident or violence.

MEMBER OF SUBJECT ORGANIZATION

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SCHEDULED NKKKK RALLY
JULY 2, 3, & 4, 1966,
[REDACTED] FARM,
OREGONIA, OHIO (WARREN COUNTY)

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As of this date, James R. Venable and [REDACTED]
are planning to travel and attend the rally and both will
probably make some kind of a speech during rally ceremonies.

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A P P E N D I X

NATIONAL KNIGHTS OF THE KU KLUX KLAN OF OHIO, INC. (NKKKK)

On October 8, 1964, Karen Crabtree, Clerk, Secretary of State's Office, Columbus, State of Ohio, advised public records from this office indicate a charter was granted the NKKKK of Ohio on October 5, 1964, by the State of Ohio. The charter was filed under Certificate Number 10194, and the Corporation Number is 334111.

The purpose of the corporation is to operate as a realm organization within the State of Ohio and in accordance with the Constitution and laws of the National Knights of the Ku Klux Klan, Inc., Atlanta, Georgia. Second, to promote patriotism toward the civil government, honorable peace among men and nations, love among ourselves, liberty, justice and patriotic association for the mutual benefit of all mankind.

The incorporation papers were signed by [REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED] are the corporation trustees.

On October 23, 1964, [REDACTED]
[REDACTED] State House, Secretary of State's Office, State of Ohio, advised that the National Knights of the Ku Klux Klan of Ohio, Inc.'s charter granted October 5, 1964, was revoked October 22, 1964, for the official reason that the National Knights of the Ku Klux Klan Organization was on the U. S. Attorney General's subversive list. [REDACTED] said the actual purpose for revocation of the charter was not because the National Knights of the Ku Klux Klan is on the U. S. Attorney General's subversive list, but because it was felt the existence of a state granted charter would encourage the Klan to make the claim it was "state sanctioned" and therefore entirely legitimate.

In actuality the Ku Klux Klan and not the National Knights of the Ku Klux Klan has been designated by the U. S. Attorney General pursuant to Executive Order 10450.

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UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE
FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION
Cincinnati, Ohio
June 27, 1966

*In Reply, Please Refer to
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Title NATIONAL KNIGHTS OF THE
 KU KLUX KLAN, INCORPORATED

Character RACIAL MATTER - KLAN

Reference Cincinnati Letterhead Memorandum
 of SA [redacted] dated and cap-
 tioned as above.

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All sources (except any listed below) whose identities are concealed in referenced communication have furnished reliable information in the past.

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TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (157-168)

FROM: SAC, CLEVELAND (100-10261) (P)

RE: NATIONAL KNIGHTS OF THE
KU KLUX KLAN
RACIAL MATTER - KLAN

OO: Atlanta

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Re Cleveland airtel to Bureau, 6/24/66; and
Cincinnati airtel to Bureau, 6/20/66.

[redacted] on [redacted] advised he was at the [redacted]
[redacted] farm, Oregonia, Ohio, 6/25/66 and 6/26/66. About 15
persons visited the [redacted] farm on 6/26/66, in preparation
for the Rally over the July 4, 1966 weekend. Klanswomen
were making pincushions, flower vases and curler bags to
be sold at the Rally.

[redacted] on [redacted] advised [redacted] that most of
the preparations for the Rally have been made. He expects
to post two or four Klan guards on State Road No. 7 from the
Interstate No. 71 cutoff; two Klan guards on Lincoln Road,
which runs past the [redacted] farm; and two Klan guards at the
head of the driveway into the farm proper.

He noted that these Klan guards would be equipped
with walkie-talkie radios and the communications center
would be in the [redacted] farmhouse. In addition, arrangements
are being made to have citizens band radio equipment.

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[] also approached [] if he could arrange to have two rental cars available at the Rally for Saturday, 7/2/66. [] said he thought the nearest car rental company would be Hertz in Dayton, Ohio, but cautioned "be sure you rent from a Jew outfit." [] advised that the actual driver of the car must rent the car, and he could therefore only rent one of the cars. [] replied, "We'll take care of that Saturday." [] asked [] why he wanted the cars, to which [] only replied, "I'll tell you Saturday."

[] is of the opinion that [] expects to transport these people to the Rally in the rental cars who might not otherwise attend in their personal automobiles for fear that their license plate numbers would be recorded by law enforcement agencies.

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He lays no particular significance to [] statement that the cars should be rented from a Jewish company other than the fact that [] probably used it in satire inasmuch as the Klan is anti-Jewish, and in this case they would be helping the Klan cause.

[] was asked if he would come back to the [] farm some time during this week to stand guard duty. He advised he would try to make it on 6/29/66, work permitting.

The Cincinnati Office will subsequently be furnished copies of informant's report bearing on the above information.

The Cleveland Office is not furnishing the above in the form of an LHM as the Cincinnati Office will undoubtedly wish to extract and incorporate portions of the above information in a comprehensive LHM on the above matter in connection with their dissemination to Secret Service and intelligence agencies.

The Cleveland Office will keep the Bureau, Atlanta and Cincinnati Offices advised of any pertinent developments coming to their attention concerning the NKKKK Rally on 7/2/66, 7/3/66 and 7/4/66, at Oregonia, Ohio.

FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

REPORTING OFFICE BIRMINGHAM	OFFICE OF ORIGIN ATLANTA	DATE 6/30/66	INVESTIGATIVE PERIOD 11/18/65 - 6/20/66
TITLE OF CASE NATIONAL KNIGHTS OF THE KU KLUX KLAN, INC.		REPORT MADE BY SA 	TYPED BY jls/swb
		CHARACTER OF CASE RM - KLAN	

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REFERENCES: Atlanta airtel to Birmingham dated 11/24/65.
Atlanta airtel to Birmingham dated 11/30/65.

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INFORMANTS:

<u>Identity of Source</u>	<u>Location of Information</u>
 is Anti-Defamation League, Atlanta, Georgia	105-469, 267
 is Centre, Alabama	105-469, 271
 is Cherokee County Courthouse, Centre, Alabama	105-469, 271

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ADMINISTRATIVE:

This case is being RUC'd to Atlanta as the Centre, Alabama Klavern of the NATIONAL KNIGHTS OF THE KU KLUX KLAN has been disbanded and was the only known Klavern of captioned organization in the Birmingham Division.

This case will be reopened if and when captioned organization is reorganized.

This report covers an extended period from November, 1965, to June, 1966, due to the exceedingly limited activity and attempts to organize the Centre, Alabama Klavern of captioned organization, which is the only activity of this organization in the Birmingham Division. Consequently, the format of this report does not conform to the general format used in organization reports.

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Copy to:

Report of: SA [REDACTED]
Date: June 30, 1966

Office: Birmingham

Field Office File #: BH 105-469

Bureau File #: 157-168

Title: NATIONAL KNIGHTS OF THE
KU KLUX KLAN, INC.

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Character: RACIAL MATTER - KLAN

Synopsis: On 11/18/65, [REDACTED] member of NATIONAL KKKK, advised that Centre Klavern was one of strongest in organization. On 11/21/65, a secret planning meeting was held at Centre, Alabama, Klavern of the NATIONAL KKKK. [REDACTED] is reportedly [REDACTED] NATIONAL KKKK in Centre, Alabama, meeting place reportedly is on [REDACTED] place six miles out of Centre on Hokes Bluff Road. On 3/19/66, members of the NATIONAL KKKK voted to transfer to the UKA, KKKK. Klansman's wife advised the NATIONAL KKKK in Centre, Alabama, had become inactive and disorganized after members joined UKA, KKKK. Former Exalted Cyclops advised Centre Klavern of the NATIONAL KKKK had split with most members joining the UKA, KKKK.

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DETAILS:

Characterizations of the NATIONAL KNIGHTS OF THE KU KLUX KLAN, INC., (NATIONAL KKKK) and UNITED KLANS OF AMERICA, KNIGHTS OF THE KU KLUX KLAN (UKA, KKKK) are set forth in the appendix section of this report.

KLAVERN MEETINGS AND ACTIVITIES

Centre, Alabama.

On November 18, 1965, [redacted] Atlanta, Georgia, advised that one of the strongest units of the NATIONAL KKKK is located in Centre, Alabama. He refused to identify any of the members.

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Birmingham Source [redacted] advised on [redacted]
[redacted] his informant in captioned [redacted]
[redacted]
[redacted]

[redacted] and they receive their mail through Post Office Box [redacted] Centre, Alabama. There were 22 people present, 18 men and four women. According to the information this group is dangerous and appear to be ready for violent action. At the meeting there was much talk of violence against Negroes.

Birmingham Source [redacted] advised on [redacted] that [redacted] is supposed to be the [redacted] the NATIONAL KKKK in Centre, Alabama. The other suspected members of this organization are [redacted]
[redacted]

He further stated that [redacted] whom he believes lives in Georgia comes to Centre, Alabama, occasionally and meets with the Centre, Alabama, group.

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Birmingham Source [redacted] advised that he has talked to the members of the NATIONAL KKKK in Centre, Alabama, and he understands that they have been meeting at [redacted]

place on the Hokes Bluff Road, about six miles from Centre, Alabama. This is an old store building which is located on [] property. He further stated he knows several of the Klansmen and believes [] is the [] of this group.

Birmingham Source [] furnished the following information regarding the Centre, Alabama, Klavern:

On March 7, 1966, a [] from Centre, Alabama, met with the Gadsden, Alabama, Klavern and advised that he is working to pull most members of the Centre Klavern of the NATIONAL KKKK over to the UKA, KKKK, here at Gadsden until they can get 25 members to start their own Klavern, which will be enough to enable them to receive a charter of the UKA, KKKK.

On March 8, 1966, [] from Centre, Alabama, was to contact [] of Gadsden, Alabama, UKA, KKKK, on Sunday morning as to how many members he will be able to transfer to the UKA, KKKK.

On March 13, 1966, [] of the Centre, Alabama, Klavern, and another Klansman, contacted [] of the Gadsden, UKA, KKKK, and advised him the unit, or over fifty percent of the members of the Centre, Alabama, Klavern of the NATIONAL KKKK, would transfer to the UKA, KKKK. Members from the Fort Payne and Gadsden units will meet at Centre, Alabama, March 19, 1966, for the change over.

On March 19, 1966, a meeting was held by the Centre, Alabama, Klavern of the NATIONAL KKKK at the home of [] who is the [] of the Centre, Alabama, Klavern. The members then proceeded to an old church and the Centre, Alabama, NATIONAL KKKK voted to transfer to the UKA, KKKK. There were ten members of the Centre Klavern in attendance. [] and [] who are presently members of the NATIONAL KKKK will not be accepted in the UKA, KKKK, as voted on by the Centre members, as these men and a few others caused too much friction within the unit.

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On March 6, 1966, a rally was reported to have been scheduled by the NATIONAL KKKK at Centre, Alabama, on May 14, 1966. The exact place and time were not known.

Birmingham Source [] furnished the following information regarding the NATIONAL KKKK in Centre, Alabama:

On February 5, 1966, [] who organized the Centre, Alabama, Klavern of the NATIONAL KKKK, is attempting to organize a unit of this organization in Fort Payne and [] Fort Payne Klavern, UKA, KKKK, is opposing his efforts.

On March 20, 1966, [] Fort Payne, Alabama, Klavern, UKA, KKKK, met with the new unit of the Centre, Alabama, organization of the UKA. The [] at Centre is [] from Route 2, Gadsden, Alabama. They met in old church house.

The Centre, Alabama, Klavern of the NATIONAL KKKK has come over to the UKA, KKKK. Information was received that the Northern Georgia NATIONAL KKKK organizations have changed over to the UKA, KKKK.

AT CENTRE, ALABAMA

[] Route 2, Centre, Alabama, advised on May 4, 1966, that her husband was formerly a member of the NATIONAL KKKK in Centre, Alabama, but is no longer active and the Centre Klavern has split up with almost all of the members joining with the UKA, KKKK.

[] NATIONAL KKKK, for the State of Alabama, stopped by some two weeks ago trying to get the NATIONAL KKKK at Centre reorganized and active as it is now inactive and [] wanted her to deliver a message to her husband to try to get all the members together for a meeting but was unsuccessful. [] who [] of the Centre, Alabama, Klavern of the NATIONAL KKKK, did not go over to the UKA, KKKK, and probably will be [] if and when they start meeting again.

[] of the Centre Klavern of the NATIONAL KKKK advised on May 16, 1966,

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that the organization had split up with practically all the members joining the UKA, KKKK. The NATIONAL KKKK had not met in several months, though ~~a~~ rally was scheduled on May 14, 1966, to be held at [redacted] farm, about three miles south of Centre, Alabama, but the scheduled speakers did not come and there were only a few people in attendance.

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He stated he had not joined with the UKA, KKKK, and at present was not attending any Klan meetings.

APPENDIX

UNITED KLANS OF AMERICA, INC., KNIGHTS OF THE KU KLUX KLAN (UKA)

Records of Superior Court of Fulton County, Georgia, reflect that this Klan organization was granted a corporate charter on February 21, 1961, at Atlanta, Georgia, under the name United Klans, Knights of the Ku Klux Klan of America, Inc.

A source advised on February 27, 1961, that United Klans was formed as a result of a split in U. S. Klans, Knights of the Ku Klux Klan, Inc. According to the source, the split resulted from a leadership dispute and United Klans has the same aims and objectives as the parent group. These are the promotion of Americanism, white supremacy, and segregation of the races.

The [] source and a [] source advised in July, 1961, that United Klans, Knights of the Ku Klux Klan of America, Inc., merged with Alabama Knights, Knights of the Ku Klux Klan. The merged organization established headquarters in Suite 401, Alston Building, Tuscaloosa, Alabama. (The

[] by [] and is the dominant Klan group in the South, with units in several southern states.)

[] source advised that at a meeting in Prattville, Alabama, on October 22, 1961, the U. S. Klans, Knights of the Ku Klux Klan, merged with the United Klans of America, Inc., Knights of the Ku Klux Klan.

[] source advised on [] that the UKA is currently an active organization, with Klaverns in several states. This source said that [] is the [] this organization and was elected to this position on September 5, 1964, at a National Klonvocation in Birmingham, Alabama. Source stated that during April, 1966, the national office was moved from Suite 401, Alston Building, Tuscaloosa, Alabama, to the carport of [] residence, #18 Lake Sherwood, Star Route, Northport, Alabama, which space he had converted into a room.

APPENDIX



UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE
FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

Birmingham, Alabama
June 30, 1966

*In Reply, Please Refer to
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Title NATIONAL KNIGHTS OF THE
 KU KLUX KLAN, INC.

Character RACIAL MATTER - ORGANIZATION

Reference Report of SA
 dated June 30, 1966, at Birmingham,
 Alabama.

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TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (157-168)
 FROM: SAC, CLEVELAND (100-10261) (P)
 RE: NATIONAL KNIGHTS OF
 THE KU KLUX KLAN
 RM - KLAN
 OO: ATLANTA

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Re CVairtel to Bureau, 6/27/66.

Reairtel in part alerted the CI office to the fact that [] expected to be on guard duty at the [] farm at Oregonia, Ohio, the night of 6/29/66 and the Bureau, Atlanta, and Cincinnati offices would be advised of any pertinent developments.

[] and [] the night of [] and returned to [] Nothing pertinent developed.

[] a member of CV NKKKK Klavern # 6, accompanied informant to Oregonia for guard duty and remained there to continue guard duty through rally.

Informant's report covering the above will subsequently be furnished the CI office.

[] will attend the rally on [] and [] and will be on guard duty through 7/5/66 and expected to return to Cleveland area AM of 7/6/66.

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The above is being furnished for the information of the Bureau, Atlanta and Cincinnati offices as well as to alert the Cincinnati office to [redacted] coverage of this rally.

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Date: 6/30/66

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TO : DIRECTOR, FBI (157-168)

FROM : SAC, SAVANNAH (157-210)

RE : ASSOCIATED KLANS IN AMERICA,
FORMERLY KNOWN AS
NATIONAL KNIGHTS OF THE KU KLUX KLAN
RM. (KLAN)

Re Savannah airtel to Bureau, 6/22/66, captioned as above, with enclosed copies of LHM; and Bureau airtel to Savannah and other offices, dated 6/29/66, captioned "COUNTERINTELLIGENCE PROGRAM, INTERNAL SECURITY, DISRUPTION OF HATE GROUPS (NATIONAL COMMITTEE FOR DOMESTIC TRANQUILITY)", under Bufile 157-9-12.

Enclosed for the Bureau are eight (8) copies of amended page one for above-mentioned LHM; for Atlanta two (2) copies; for Columbia three (3) copies; for Jacksonville two (2) copies; and for New Orleans two (2) copies, omitting the paragraph which contained info regarding National Committee for Domestic Tranquility (NCDT).

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TO: BUREAU AND CINCINNATI

FROM: ATLANTA (157-60)

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NATIONAL KNIGHTS OF THE KU KLUX KLAN, RM - KLAN.

JAMES R. ~~VENABLE~~, IMPERIAL WIZARD, NATIONAL KNIGHTS
OF THE KU KLUX KLAN (NKKKK) LEFT ATLANTA SIX THIRTY AM THIS
DATE FOR CINCINNATI, OHIO, VIA DELTA AIRLINES FLIGHT NUMBER
EIGHT FIVE SIX ARRIVING CINCINNATI SEVEN THIRTYFIVE A.M.

VENABLE WILL ATTEND NKKKK RALLY TO BE HELD ON THE
FARM OF [REDACTED] OREGONIA, OHIO, DURING THE HOLIDAY
WEEKEND.

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TO : DIRECTOR, FBI (157-168)
FROM : SAC, SAVANNAH (157-210)
RE : ASSOCIATED KLANS IN AMERICA,
FORMERLY KNOWN AS
NATIONAL KNIGHTS OF THE KU KLUX KLAN
RM (KLAN)

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Enclosed herewith for the Bureau are original and seven copies; for Atlanta, two copies; for Columbia, three copies; for Jacksonville, two copies; and for New Orleans, two copies, of a letterhead memorandum concerning captioned matter, suitable for dissemination.

The confidential source referred to in the LHM is [redacted] who furnished the information to SA [redacted]

Appropriate copies of FD-306 are being furnished under separate cover to offices receiving copies of this airtel.

The above-mentioned confidential source identified organization named in LHM (National Committee for Domestic Tranquility) as the National Committee of American Tranquility.

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UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE
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In Reply, Please Refer to
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Savannah, Georgia
June 22, 1966

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ASSOCIATED KLANS IN AMERICA,
FORMERLY KNOWN AS
NATIONAL KNIGHTS OF THE KU KLUX KLAN

On June 21, 1966, a confidential source advised that a national meeting of the Associated Klans in America, formerly known as National Knights of the Ku Klux Klan, a characterization of which is attached hereto as an appendix, was held at Tucker, Georgia, on Saturday and Sunday, June 18 - 19, 1966.

The Saturday night meeting began at 8:00 P.M., in the Carl Garmon Building, with a dinner. During and after dinner, the meeting amounted to a general discussion of the new Civil Rights Act before Congress, and the inactivity of the Klan due to the members being scared by the Federal Bureau of Investigation and the House Committee on Un-American Activities.

JAMES R. VENABLE played a tape of a talk made by a Negro in Chicago, Illinois, at a meeting at which Venable also spoke, about four weeks ago. The Negro said he had been in the hands of the Klan three times and they had protected him from his own people. He said the NAACP (National Association for the Advancement of Colored People) and the demonstrations and marches sponsored by the Civil Rights organizations are Communist-inspired.

The Saturday night meeting ended about 10:30 P.M., and the meeting was reconvened about 8:45 A.M., Sunday, June 19, 1966,

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following a breakfast in the Klan headquarters. [redacted]
[redacted] presided, and the following listed delegates were
present:

Association of Georgia Klans:

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Association of South Carolina Klans:

[redacted]

United Florida Klans:

[redacted]

Original Klans of Louisiana:

[redacted]

ASSOCIATED KLANS IN AMERICA

National Knights of the Ku Klux Klan:

James R. Venable,
Stone Mountain, Georgia:



James R. Venable made a motion that the unpaid past dues of all member Klans be suspended, and that the member Klans keep their dues current beginning June 1, 1966. ~~The motion passed.~~

On Venable's motion, [redacted] from the Atlanta area and [redacted] from Jacksonville, Florida, were permitted to sit in this meeting.

[redacted] made a motion that ladies be permitted to attend the national meeting if they were coming as delegates.

[redacted] made a motion that roll not be called at the meetings, but that the secretary contact each person present to see who they were and whom they represented. This motion was passed.

[redacted] made a motion that Venable write a letter to all Klansmen that appeared at the investigation in Washington, D. C., and all Klansmen he knew anywhere, to come to the Klan rally at Stone Mountain, Georgia, on the Labor Day week-end, and also invite all new Klan groups to apply for membership in the Association. This motion was passed.

[redacted] said he knew of several Klansmen who had been approached by the Federal Bureau of Investigation to work for them. He said the Klan has to be more secret and go underground. He did not make any specific suggestions, and no action was taken.

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James R. Venable said that, as soon as they get the funds to operate on, he is going to start a newspaper that will cover Klan activities all over the United States. He said it will cost each Klansman \$10 to \$12 a year. He said the newspapers in the North give the Klan organizations good publicity, but the newspapers in the South just sneer the Klan name.

[redacted] made a motion that they continue to look for a new chairman, and that the new chairman of the Associated Klans in America be elected at the Sunday meeting following the National Klan Day Rally on Saturday, September 3, 1966. This motion was passed.

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A motion made by [redacted] was passed that the [redacted] elected on September 4, 1966, must be a person present at that meeting.

The dues collected at this meeting were \$40. The balance in the treasury, after crediting the dues, was \$42.76.

The meals were paid for by contributions taken up from the Klansmen present.

The meeting on Sunday closed at 10:50 A.M..

In addition to the above listed delegates, at the Saturday night meeting, there were about twenty (20) unidentified members of the National Knights of the Ku Klux Klan and five (5) unidentified Klansmen from South Carolina present.



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FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

In Reply, Please Refer to
File No.

Savannah, Georgia
June 22, 1966

TITLE	ASSOCIATED KLANS IN AMERICA, FORMERLY KNOWN AS NATIONAL KNIGHTS OF THE KU KLUX KLAN
CHARACTER	RACIAL MATTERS (KLAN)
REFERENCE	Savannah memorandum dated June 22, 1966, captioned as above.

All sources (except any listed below) whose identities are concealed in referenced communication have furnished reliable information in the past.

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Date: 6/21/66

Transmit the following in _____
(Type in plaintext or code)Via AIRTEL AIR MAIL
(Priority)

TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (157-168)

FROM: SAC, CLEVELAND (100-10261) (P)

RE: NATIONAL KNIGHTS OF THE
KU KLUX KLAN
RM - KLAN
(OO: ATLANTA)

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[redacted] advised he telephonically contacted JAMES R. VENABLE, Stone Mountain, Georgia, on 6/19/66, concerning Klavern #6, Cleveland, funds in the amount of \$185.12, which were recently sent to VENABLE by two dissident Klavern #6 members without Klavern authority. VENABLE advised he would return $\frac{1}{2}$ of the funds to Klavern #6. J

VENABLE then [redacted]

VENABLE also mentioned that he had recently been in Akron, Ohio, inasmuch as [redacted] a member of Klavern #7 in Akron, Ohio) brother had been killed in a highway collision and he was there to explain the Klan funeral ritual.

[redacted] also advised that during a regular Klavern #6 meeting, held 6/19/66, the NKKKK Anniversary Rally, 7/2-3-4/66, at Oregonia, Ohio, was announced. No positive commitments to attend the rally was made by any of the members. CI is

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[REDACTED]

The Atlanta Office is primarily being alerted to the fact that VENABLE recently traveled to Akron, Ohio. The Atlanta Office will subsequently be furnished informant's report detailing information appearing herein for their respective files on the Klan and VENABLE.

In regard to VENABLE's [REDACTED]
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In view of the above, the Cleveland office recommends that [REDACTED] be sent to the Klan Reunion Rally and that Bureau authority be granted to do so. [REDACTED] is favorably disposed towards attending this rally should this be desired by the Bureau, and although he is not in a position at present to give an accurate account of his expenses, he estimates they will not exceed \$150.00.

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Date: 7/7/66

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TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (157-168)
 FROM: SAC, CLEVELAND (100-10261) (P)
 RE: NATIONAL KNIGHTS OF THE
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 OO: ATLANTA

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Re Cleveland airtel to Bureau 7/1/66.

_____ attended a NKKKK Rally Oregonia, Ohio,
 _____ and _____. He returned
 to Cleveland late evening of _____ and was contacted _____
 for his observations and comments.

_____ noted he arrived at Oregonia approximately
 _____ and was, therefore, not present during the
 arrest of _____ and _____. He noted that
 nothing of a particular significance took place during the
 remainder of the Rally and it was considered a flop by _____

_____ was able to identify numerous Klansmen from
 other divisions and these divisions will subsequently be furnished
 copies of informant reports for their respective files on
 individual Klansmen.

The Cincinnati Division in whose territory the Rally
 took place has covered instant Rally and will report the general
 activities in the form of a Letterhead Memorandum (LHM).

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- 2 - Cincinnati (157-245) (RM)
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A LHM is not being submitted by the Cleveland Division in view of the above and as nothing of a particular significance was developed which would warrant a separate LHM.



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In Reply, Please Refer to
File No.

Cincinnati, Ohio
July 7, 1966

ALL INFORMATION CONTAINED
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DATE 8-23-88 BY SP8/3/fat

RE: NATIONAL KNIGHTS OF THE KU KLUX KLAN RALLY
HELD JULY 2, 3, and 4, 1966, ON FARM OF
[REDACTED] OREGONIA, OHIO (WARREN COUNTY)

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On [REDACTED] a confidential source of the
Cleveland Office of the FBI, who has furnished reliable
information in the past, furnished the following information
to an FBI representative of that office:

He had been in contact with [REDACTED]

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On [REDACTED] a confidential source of the
Cincinnati FBI Office, who has furnished reliable information
in the past, furnished the following information to a representative
of the Cincinnati FBI Office:

Captioned rally was started about noon, July 2, 1966,
on [REDACTED] farm. James R. Venable, Imperial Wizard, National
Knights of the Ku Klux Klan (NKKKK), from Tucker, Georgia,
arrived July 2, 1966, and was in attendance during the weekend.
The largest number of individuals present was estimated to be

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RE: NATIONAL KNIGHTS OF THE KU KLUX KLAN RALLY HELD
JULY 2, 3, and 4, 1966, ON FARM OF [REDACTED]
OREGONIA, OHIO (WARREN COUNTY)

150; however, a good percentage of those present consisted of curious onlookers, members of the news media, and others. As far as actual Klan member attendance and enthusiasm were concerned, the rally was a physical and financial flop. [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] was definitely disappointed at the small turnout, and on occasion, expressed his disappointment.

The Warren County Sheriff and Deputies from Lebanon, Ohio, were on hand and closely observed the rally. About ten or twelve individuals were wearing Klan robes, and two of these individuals were wearing Klan masks over their faces. The Warren County Sheriff's Office arrested these two Klan members during the rally, charging them with wearing a mask at a public gathering to conceal their identity. Court action is currently pending, and both individuals were released on bond. They are identified as [REDACTED] age [REDACTED] from Mapleton, Georgia, and [REDACTED] age [REDACTED] from Miamisburg, Ohio. No disturbance or serious incidents took place. A cross was burned late Saturday night, July 2, 1966, and another cross was expected to be burned during the night of July 4, 1966.

On July 5, 1966, this same confidential source advised that the rally was a solid failure and members in attendance continually argued among themselves concerning Klan policies and objectives, which resulted in confusion and lack of leadership. [REDACTED] discussed the possibility of holding additional small rallies on his farm during the future coming weeks, but nothing positive was decided as yet. This source added that if Klan participation and lack of cooperation continues as it did during this rally, the organization can be expected to fall apart and be completely ineffective in the future.

On July 6, 1966, Byron Kennard, Sheriff, Warren County Sheriff's Office, Lebanon, Ohio, advised he increased his deputy force to handle law enforcement and observation of captioned rally to insure that no one in the vicinity would be physically harmed and to eliminate any contemplated violence before it had a chance to get started. This decision in displaying a "show of force" definitely resulted in the maintenance of law and

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JULY 2, 3, and 4, 1966, ON FARM OF [REDACTED]
OREGONIA, OHIO (WARREN COUNTY)

order while the rally was in progress. On one or two separate instances, tempers flared among persons attending the rally, and insults were shouted at several of the Deputies; however, no major disturbance occurred.

Sheriff Kennard further advised two individuals in attendance, identified as [REDACTED] age [REDACTED] from Mapleton, Georgia, and [REDACTED] age [REDACTED] from Miamisburg, Ohio, were placed under arrest and charged with wearing a mask at a public gathering to conceal their identities. Court action is pending, and both individuals were released on bond. No other incidents ensued.

On July 6, 1966, Sheriff Kennard advised that his department currently has an outstanding warrant for the arrest of [REDACTED] charging him with interference with law enforcement officers while they were participating in their official duties. To date, [REDACTED] has not been located at his Oregonia, Ohio, address.

A characterization of the NKKKK is attached hereto.

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Date: 7/7/66

Transmit the following in _____
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TO : DIRECTOR, FBI (157-168)
 FROM : SAC, CINCINNATI (157-245) (P)
 SUBJECT: NATIONAL KNIGHTS OF THE KU KLUX KLAN
 RACIAL MATTERS - KLAN
 (OO: Atlanta)

ALL INFORMATION CONTAINED
 HEREIN IS UNCLASSIFIED
 DATE 8-23-88 BY SP8 JJK/STC

Re Cincinnati airtel to Bureau, 6/24/66.

Enclosed for the Bureau are eight copies of LHM suitable for dissemination. Enclosed for Atlanta are two copies of LHM. One copy each of LHM being furnished Cleveland, Louisville, Indianapolis, and Pittsburgh for information purposes in view of these offices' interest in this matter.

One copy of LHM being furnished locally to U. S. Secret Service and 109th INTC Group.

_____ confidential source is _____ who furnished information to SA _____ Cleveland Office.

_____ confidential source is _____ (Prob.), who furnished information to SA _____

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- ③ - Bureau (Enc. 8) (RM)
 - 2 - Atlanta (Enc. 2) (RM)
 - 1 - Cleveland (Enc. 1) (Info) (RM)
 - 1 - Indianapolis (Enc. 1) (Info) (RM)
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 - 1 - Pittsburgh (Enc. 1) (Info) (RM)
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AGENCY: ACSI, ONI, OSI, SEC SER
 DEPT ISD: CRD
 DATE FORW: 7-12-66

HOW FORW: P.S.

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BYRON KENNARD, Sheriff, Warren County Sheriff's Office, Lebanon, Ohio, furnished information to SA [REDACTED]
[REDACTED]

The Bureau's attention is invited to the fact that enclosed LHM covers pertinent aspects of rally. If in next contact with informant, additional information is developed as a result of the rally, this information will be appropriately furnished by LHM.

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For additional information of the Bureau, the Cincinnati FBI office discreetly informed the Warren County Sheriff's Office, Lebanon, Ohio, during P.M. of 7/6/66, that [REDACTED] rents Apartment [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] and it is entirely possible that he can be located at that address during the week to arrest him on warrant issued by Warren County authorities on the charge of interfering with law enforcement officers while they were conducting official business.

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Date: 7/7/66

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TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (157-168)
 FROM: SAC, CINCINNATI (157-245) (P)
 SUBJECT: NKKKK
 RM - KLAN
 (OO: ATLANTA)

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Re Cincinnati airtel and LHM to Bureau dated 7/7/66

Referenced airtel pointed out information that Warren County SO, Lebanon, Ohio had outstanding warrant for arrest of [redacted] charging [redacted] with interference of law enforcement officers while performing official duties. This charge eventually resulted in connection with the arrest of two Klan members attending the NKKKK rally held on [redacted] farm 7/2, 3, and 4/66.

[redacted] has long been recognized as the [redacted] for captioned Klan in the State of Ohio. As of 7/6/66, Warren County authorities could not locate [redacted] to execute the warrant for his arrest. During PM of 7/6/66, the Cincinnati FBI Office discreetly advised the Warren County SO that [redacted] maintains an apartment in Dayton, Ohio and furnished his specific address.

During PM of this date [redacted] (Prob) telephonically

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- 2 - Atlanta (157-60) (RM)
- 4 - Cincinnati (2-157-245) (1-157-504)

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advised the Cincinnati FBI Office that it was reported to him that [redacted] was either arrested by the Warren County SO or surrendered himself to them.

The above is furnished the Bureau and Atlanta for information purposes.

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AT CINCINNATI, OHIO

Will follow this matter and verify [redacted] arrest and additional court action.

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Date: 7/8/66

Transmit the following in _____
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TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (157-168)

FROM: SAC, CLEVELAND (100-10261) (P)

RE: NATIONAL KNIGHTS OF THE
KU KLUX KLAN
RACIAL MATTER - KLAN

OO: ATLANTA

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[redacted] advised that at a regular meeting of the Klavern #6 held 7/7/66, [redacted] EC of Klavern #6, suggested that plans be considered to hold a Rally 7/16, 17/66, in the Brunswick, Ohio area. [redacted] and [redacted] are to work out the details over this weekend and try to locate a site for the Rally.

It should be noted that the above dates afford very little time to make arrangements for a Rally and it would appear that the dates 7/16, 17/66, may only be tentative.

The Cleveland Office will maintain close contact with [redacted] concerning this Rally and as soon as a definite date and location is set the appropriate law enforcement agencies will be advised and a LHM will be prepared.

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- 3 - Bureau (RM)
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Date: 7/12/66

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Mr. Tolson	_____
Mr. DeLoach	_____
Mr. Mohr	_____
Mr. Wick	_____
Mr. Casper	_____
Mr. Callahan	_____
Mr. Conrad	_____
Mr. Felt	_____
Mr. Gale	_____
Mr. Rosen	_____
Mr. Sullivan	_____
Mr. Tavel	_____
Mr. Trotter	_____
Tele. Room	_____
Miss Holmes	_____
Miss Gandy	_____

TO : DIRECTOR, FBI (157-168)
 FROM : SAC, CINCINNATI (157-245) (P)
 SUBJECT: NATIONAL KNIGHTS OF THE KU KLUX KLAN
 RACIAL MATTERS - KLAN
 (OO: Atlanta)

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 DATE 8-23-88 BY SP-5

Re Cincinnati airtel to Director, 7/7/66, and
 Cincinnati airtel to Atlanta, 7/11/66.

[redacted] (Prob.) today advised as follows:

[redacted] and [redacted] appear
 before Warren County Court, Lebanon, Ohio, 7/11/66, to face
 charges against them as previously reported in referenced
 communications. Both [redacted] and [redacted] requested a jury
 trial regarding their charges and the proceedings have been
 continued until 9/12/66. Informant also of opinion that
 [redacted] will also face charges on 9/12/66.

Above for information of the Bureau and Atlanta
 for purpose of keeping this matter current.

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- 3 - Bureau (RM) REC-82
 2 - Atlanta (RM)
 1 - Cleveland (Info) (RM)
 5 - Cincinnati
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CINCINNATI DIVISION

AT CINCINNATI, OHIO

Will follow court action of above three individuals
and keep Bureau advised of developments.

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Mr. DeLoach	_____
Mr. Mohr	_____
Mr. Wick	_____
Mr. Casper	_____
Mr. Callahan	_____
Mr. Conrad	_____
Mr. Felt	_____
Mr. Gale	_____
Mr. Rosen	_____
Mr. Sullivan	_____
Mr. Tavel	_____
Mr. Trotter	_____
Tele. Room	_____
Miss Holmes	_____
Miss Gandy	_____

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1:57 AM EDST URGENT 7-18-66 EMK

TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (157-168)

FROM: CLEVELAND (100-10261)

NATIONAL KNIGHTS OF THE KLU KLUX KLAN - RACIAL MATTER - CLAN

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DATE 8-23-88 BY SP8 JF/SL

RE CVTEL SEVEN SEVENTEEN LAST.

NKKKK RALLY CONTINUED SEVEN SEVENTEEN LAST AS SCHEDULED IN
MEDINA COUNTY, OHIO., AND TERMINATED THAT EVENING. NO INCIDENTS
OR ACTS OF VIOLENCE. LHM TO FOLLOW.
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Miss Gandy	_____

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FBI CLEVELND

1:40 AM EDST URGENT 7-17-66 EMK

TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (157-168)

FROM: CLEVELAND (100-10261)

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NATIONAL KNIGHTS OF THE KLU KLUX KLAN - RACIAL MATTER - CLAN

OO: ATLANTA

RE CVAIRTEL TO BU SEVEN ELEVEN SIXTY SIX.

NKKKK RALLY TOOK PLACE AS SCHEDULED SEVEN SIXTEEN LAST IN
MEDINA COUNTY, OHIO. ABOUT ONE HUNDRED PERSONS PRESENT. RALLY
TERMINATED ELEVEN FORTY-FIVE PM FOLLOWING BURNING OF THREE
CROSSES. NO PICKETS, INCIDENTS, OR ACTS OF VIOLENCE.

CV WILL CONTINUE TO FOLLOW.

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Mr. Mohr	_____
Mr. Wick	_____
Mr. Casper	_____
Mr. Callahan	_____
Mr. Conrad	_____
Mr. Felt	_____
Mr. Gale	_____
Mr. Rosen	_____
Mr. Sullivan	_____
Mr. Tavel	_____
Mr. Trotter	_____
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Miss Holmes	_____
Miss Gandy	_____

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FBI BIRMGHAM

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TO: DIRECTOR (157-148)

FROM: BIRMINGHAM (105-469) (P)

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DATE 8-23-88 BY SP8 BTJ/fab

NATIONAL KNIGHTS OF THE KU KLUX KLAN. RM- KLAN. OO: ATLANTA.

[REDACTED] R ADVISED ANNOUNCEMENT MADE AT REGULAR
WEEKLY MEETING OF CONFEDERATE KLAVERN NUMBER FOURTEEN, UNITED KLANS
OF AMERICA, INC., KNIGHTS OF THE KU KLUX KLAN, THAT NATIONAL KNIGHTS
PLAN TO HOLD A RALLY, EIGHT P.M., ON JULY SIXTEEN, SIXTYSIX, AT
HOPEWELL, ALABAMA, JAMES VENABLE SPEAKER. BIRMINGHAM WILL AFFORD
INFORMANT COVERAGE AND SUBMIT LHM. LOCAL AUTHORITIES NOTIFIED RE
RALLY.

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Date: 7/11/66

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TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (157-168)

FROM: SAC, CLEVELAND (100-10261) (P)

RE: NATIONAL KNIGHTS OF THE
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OO: ATLANTA

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Re Cleveland airtel to Bureau 7/8/66.

Enclosed for the Bureau are eight (8) copies of a Letterhead Memorandum (LHM). The Cincinnati and Atlanta Offices are each being furnished two (2) copies of a LHM.

The local office of the Secret Service is being furnished two (2) copies of the LHM and one (1) each is being furnished to the USA, ONI, OSI and G-2.

The Confidential Source mentioned in the LHM is [redacted] who orally furnished instant information to SA [redacted] on [redacted]

The identity of the three Klansmen involved in the burning of the cross at the farm of the Negro couple are [redacted]

Circumstances leading to participation commenced with [redacted] contacting [redacted]

- 3 - Bureau (RM) (Enc. 8)
- 2 - Atlanta (Enc. 2) (RM) (157-60)
- 2 - Cincinnati (Enc. 2) (RM) (157-245)
- 2 - Cleveland

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[redacted] Unit

AGENCY: ACSI, ONI, OSI, SEC SER

DEPT ISD: CRD

DATE FORW: 7-18-66

HOW FORW: [redacted]

BY: [redacted]

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future Rallys. They eventually went to Lodi, Ohio area for
this purpose where they met with [redacted] and [redacted]

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The Cleveland Office will keep the Bureau advised
relative to the Rally scheduled for July 16 and 17, 1966.

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The Cincinnati Office will subsequently be furnished
a copy of informant's report for their file on

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UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE
FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

In Reply, Please Refer to
File No.

Cleveland, Ohio

July 11, 1966

NATIONAL KNIGHTS OF THE KU KLUX KLAN, INC.

National Knights of the Ku Klux Klan
Cross Burning July 11, 1966, near Lodi,
Ohio, and National Knights of the Ku Klux
Klan Rally Scheduled For July 16 and 17, 1966
near Lodi, Ohio

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A characterization of the National Knights of the Ku Klux Klan, Inc. (NKKKK), appears as an appendix attached hereto.

A Confidential Source who has furnished reliable information in the past on [redacted] informed that at [redacted] of the NKKKK burned a twenty foot high wooden cross near the farm house of a farm recently purchased by a Negro couple. This farm is located outside of Lodi, Ohio, Medina County. On United States Route #42, just north of U.S. Route #224. Source did not know the name of the Negro couple.

In addition, this source advised that the NKKKK will hold a Rally near Lodi, Ohio, on July 16 and 17, 1966, at the farm of [redacted] is a member of the NKKKK and his farm is located on County Route #90, about one and one half miles west of State Route #76, which is about two miles south of Lodi. The property was leased for \$10.00 to the NKKKK for the express purpose of holding a Klan Rally.

[redacted] Ohio [redacted] of the NKKKK, will handle the Press releases for the Rally. At the suggestion of [redacted] mimeograph announcements of the Rally will be passed out sometime during this week at Cleveland, Akron, Lodi, Medina and Mansfield, Ohio, by members of the NKKKK residing in the vicinity of these municipalities.

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NATIONAL KNIGHTS OF THE
KU KLUX KLAN, INC.

NORMAN J. STUART, Sheriff, Medina County, Medina, Ohio, was advised of the above on July 11, 1966. He advised that as in the past adequate arrangements will be made to prevent any violations at the Rally.

FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION
U. S. DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE
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FBI ATLANTA

925PM EST URGENT 7-15-66 JDW

TO DIRECTOR AND CLEVELAND

FROM ATLANTA /157-60/

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NATIONAL KNIGHTS OF THE KU KLUX KLAN, RM - KLAN.

CONFIDENTIAL SOURCE ADVISED TONIGHT JAMES R. VENABLE
LEAVING ATLANTA TOMORROW [REDACTED] ON A DELTA FLIGHT

ENROUTE TO CLEVELAND TO ATTEND A RALLY OF CAPTIONED ORGANIZATION
[REDACTED] THE RALLY WILL BE PROBABLY
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Cleveland, Ohio
June 17, 1966

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HOUSE COMMITTEE ON UN-AMERICAN
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(INFORMATION CONCERNING)

"The Sun-Press", a weekly newspaper serving the Eastern Suburbs of Cleveland, Ohio, contained an article on June 16, 1966, reporting that Tom Shaughnessy, age 32, a reporter for the "Sun Herald", is scheduled to appear at Washington, D.C. on Monday, June 20, 1966, to tell members of the House Committee on Un-American Activities (HCUA) how his automobile was burned twice and the car of his wife was burned once.

The article stated that Ohio 23rd District Congressman William E. Minshall is sparkplugging the investigation.

It was reported that Klan sympathizer [REDACTED] founder of the local chapter of the National Christian Conservative Society, along with several of his "henchmen", were also expected to be subpoenaed.

The article further reported that [REDACTED] believes that the Klan is responsible for these incidents as a result of unfavorable stories written by him regarding the Klan.

The article stated that Cleveland Fire Department Arson Investigators have questioned members of the National

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Christian Conservative Society about the burnings.

Rolled up copies of the May 12, 1966, issue of "The Lakewood Sun-Post", carrying a story by Shaughnessy regarding a speech by a Klan official in Lakewood, Ohio, on May 7, 1966, were used to start the May 12, 1966, fire.

The article also reported that a superior of Shaughnessy's stated that from all evidence this was a serious attempt by the Klan and its fellow travelers to silence a hated reporter.

On June 17, 1966, [redacted] Bureau of Special Investigation, Cleveland, Ohio, Police Department, advised that [redacted] employed by the Sun Newspapers, who own "The Lakewood Sun Post", "The Sun-Press", and the "Sun Herald", weekly newspapers.

He advised that [redacted] in the past has been an unsuccessful candidate for the Cleveland City Council. He advised that his department has no information indicating that the Klan is responsible for the burning incidents. He stated that during the early part of this year [redacted] wrote several articles in "The Lakewood Sun Post" advocating that the residents of that all white community should welcome Negro families into that city.

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On June 17, 1966, [redacted] Arson Squad, Cleveland, Ohio, Fire Department, advised that there has been no evidence turned up to date that [redacted] any of his associates, or that any individuals connected with the Klan are responsible for the burning incidents but that this is only the opinion of [redacted]. He further advised that his agency has only interviewed one individual other than [redacted] and that is [redacted] because he was suggested by [redacted] as a suspect. The investigation is still continuing.

On June 17, 1966, Chief of Police Joseph Mc Mahon, Lakewood, Ohio, Police Department, advised that his agency had no information regarding these burning incidents.

A source, who has furnished reliable information in the past, advised on June 17, 1966, that Klavern Number 6, National Knights of the Ku Klux Klan (NKKKK), Cleveland, Ohio, is not

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responsible for setting fire to the automobiles belonging to Shaughnessy and his wife. This source stated that Annable is not at this time either a member of the NKKKK or of the United Klans of America (UKA) and has never belonged to either organization.

Characterizations of the NKKKK and the UKA are attached.

The "Cleveland Press", a daily newspaper published in Cleveland, Ohio, reported on May 9, 1966, that James R. Venable, Imperial Wizard of the NKKKK, was sponsored as a speaker by the National Christian Conservative Society on the night of May 7, 1966, at the Lakewood, Ohio, Civic Auditorium. The article identified Robert Annable as the President of the National Christian Conservative Society.

The "Plain Dealer", a daily newspaper published at Cleveland, Ohio, reported on February 12, 1966, that Robert W. Annable, head of the North American Alliance of White People, testified before the HCUA on February 11, 1966. The article reported that Annable asserted that he was not a member of the Ku Klux Klan but he praised the organization and its leaders for "high ideals." He admitted that he had been offered an appointment as Grand Titan for the State of Ohio by Robert Shelton, Imperial Wizard of the UKA, but that he rejected it.

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TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (157-168)

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ReBHTel to Director, 7/15/66.

Proposed rally at Hopewell, Alabama, on evening of 7/15/66, postponed due to heavy rain and thunderstorms.

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According to [] there are no plans for another rally. Birmingham will follow with informants for any new information concerning rallies of captioned organization in this division.

In view of postponement, no LHM is being submitted by Birmingham.

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Date: 7-18-66

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TO: DIRECTOR, FBI

FROM: SAC, CLEVELAND (100-10261) (P)

RE: NATIONAL KNIGHTS OF THE KU KLUX KLAN
RACIAL MATTER - KLAN

OO: ATLANTA

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Re Cleveland airtel to Bureau, 7-11-66; and
Cleveland teletypes to Bureau, 7-17-66, and 7-18-66.

Enclosed herewith for the Bureau are eight (8)
copies of an LHM regarding National Knights of the Ku Klux
Klan (NKKKK) rally held in Medina County, Ohio, on
7-16, and 7-17-66. Designated copies of this LHM are
also being enclosed for the information of Atlanta and
Cincinnati.

Copies of the LHM are being furnished locally
to USA, Secret Service, and local Military Intelligence
Agencies.

Confidential source referred to in LHM is identified
as [redacted]

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Cleveland, Ohio
July 18, 1966

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NATIONAL KNIGHTS OF THE KU KLUX KLAN, INC.

On July 16, 1966, Norman Stuart, Sheriff, Medina County, Sheriff's Office, Medina, Ohio, advised that the National Knights of the Ku Klux Klan (NKKKK) held their rally as scheduled that day on the property of [redacted] in Medina County. (NKKKK appendix page attached.)

He said that a few people arrived at the site at about 11:00 a.m., and that when the rally ended that night at about 11:45 p.m. approximately 100 people had been there. However, he indicated that he did not believe that all in attendance were Klansmen, and that there were many spectators there out of curiosity. He said that at about 11:20 p.m., the Klansmen burned three crosses prior to dismissing.

On July 17, 1966, Sheriff Stuart advised that the rally had continued that day, however he estimated that only about 25 or 30 persons attended. He said the rally ended that night at about 9:00 p.m. and that no crosses were burned.

Sheriff Stuart advised that he had previously received rumors that Klansmen at the rally might wear masks in an attempt to test the Ohio State Law banning the wearing of masks, however, he said that at no time did he receive any reports of Klansmen wearing masks. He said that at about the same time the crosses were lighted on July 16, 1966, there was a loud noise originating from the rally site. He said that in his opinion this noise was that of a firecracker, and that the same noise was also heard again at the same site at about 12:30 p.m. on July 17, 1966.

At about 8:00 p.m. on July 17, 1966, Sheriff Stuart

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advised his office received reports that some Klansmen were driving up and down the roads adjacent to the rally site, and that upon investigation they determined that there were two cars and one pickup truck with a total of about eight Klansmen in them. He said that in the back of the pickup truck was a female wearing a Klansmen's robe, and also a dummy in a Klansmen's robe. He said that the dummy also was wearing a robe, and that from a distance, the dummy appeared to be a person.

Sheriff Stuart further advised that there were no anti-Klan demonstrators at the rally, and that there were no arrests or acts of violence.

A confidential source who has furnished reliable information in the past advised that James Venable, National Chairman of the NKKKK, presided over the rally on July 16, 1966, and July 17, 1966.

UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

TO : DIRECTOR, FBI

FROM : SAC, LOUISVILLE (157-318) (C)

SUBJECT: ^{OR} RALEIGH SHEPHERD;
RACIAL MATTERS (KLAN)

OO: LOUISVILLE

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Enclosed for the Bureau are eight copies of a letterhead memorandum, concerning caption individual.

The First source in enclosed is [] and the original information can be found in Louisville file 157-224-35.

The [] source referred to in the enclosed is confidential source [] (Protect per request), and the original information can be found in Louisville file 157-224-154.

It is not felt that the information in the enclosed warrants classification.

Copies of the enclosed have been disseminated locally to Secret Service at Louisville, Kentucky.

In view of no information being developed indicating the activities of the subject are such as to require investigation of him, no further action is being taken, and this matter is being closed.

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WASHINGTON, D.C. 20535

July 19, 1966

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Director
United States Secret Service
Department of the Treasury
Washington, D. C. 20220

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Dear Sir:

The information furnished herewith concerns an individual who is believed to be covered by the agreement between the FBI and Secret Service concerning Presidential protection, and to fall within the category or categories checked.

1. ☐ Has attempted or threatened bodily harm to any government official or employee, including foreign government officials residing in or planning an imminent visit to the U. S., because of his official status.
2. ☐ Has attempted or threatened to redress a grievance against any public official by other than legal means.
3. ☐ Because of background is potentially dangerous; or has been identified as member or participant in communist movement; or has been under active investigation as member of other group or organization inimical to U. S.
4. ☐ U. S. citizens or residents who defect from the U. S. to countries in the Soviet or Chinese Communist blocs and return.
5. ☒ Subversives, ultrarightists, racists and fascists who meet one or more of the following criteria:
 - (a) ☐ Evidence of emotional instability (including unstable residence and employment record) or irrational or suicidal behavior;
 - (b) ☐ Expressions of strong or violent anti-U. S. sentiment;
 - (c) ☐ Prior acts (including arrests or convictions) or conduct or statements indicating a propensity for violence and antipathy toward good order and government.
6. ☐ Individuals involved in illegal bombing or illegal bomb-making.

Photograph ☐ has been furnished ☐ enclosed ☒ is not available
☐ may be available through _____

Very truly yours,

J. Edgar Hoover
John Edgar Hoover
Director

1 - Special Agent in Charge (Enclosure(s) 2)
U. S. Secret Service, Louisville, Ky.

Enclosure(s) 1)

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Louisville 2, Kentucky

July 19, 1966

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RACIAL MATTERS (KLAN)

On August 27, 1965, a source, who has furnished reliable information in the past, advised that [redacted]

[redacted] had been initiated into the National Knights of the Ku Klux Klan (NKKKK) on August 16, 1965 at Oregonia, Ohio.

On [redacted] a [redacted] source, who has furnished reliable information in the past, advised that [redacted] was a member of the NKKKK.

Information concerning the NKKKK is set forth in the appendix of this memorandum.

On October 21, 1965, [redacted] Identification Division, Covington, Kentucky Police Department, advised he had no record in his files identifiable with one [redacted]

On January 10, 1966, Chief WILLIAM GEX, Florence, Kentucky, Police Department, advised he had no record in his file identifiable with one Raleigh Shepherd.

On January 25, 1966, an attempt was made to contact [redacted] at [redacted] which time it was determined the residence was vacant, and he had moved to Combs, Kentucky.

On February 24, 1966, [redacted] Hazard Credit Bureau, Hazard, Kentucky, advised that [redacted] Combs, Kentucky, has been in file since November, 1965, and his [redacted] The record reflects that [redacted] has been living in Combs, Kentucky, since September, 1965, and that he is approximately [redacted] years old. He is allegedly from Florence, Kentucky, showing a previous address of [redacted] His employment is shown as [redacted] for the Ford

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Motor Company, but this is not verified. He gave as a reference the First National Bank at Jackson, Kentucky. Horton advised that the preceding information was furnished to her agency by the Cincinnati, Ohio Credit Bureau.

On March 1, 1966, [redacted] Kentucky State Police, Hazard, Kentucky, advised that [redacted] is unknown to him and that he was unable to locate any arrest record for him.

On June 27, 1966, the records of the Credit Bureau of Northern Kentucky, Covington, Kentucky, revealed that [redacted] resided at [redacted] and his employment was listed as the Ford Motor Company, Cincinnati, Ohio. Previous employment is shown as May, 1953, with [redacted] as a [redacted] July, 1954, self-employed at Shepherd's Grocery. On August, 2, 1956 he filed bankruptcy number 1033. He was discharged on June 26, 1957. His age was listed as [redacted]

On May 16, 1966, [redacted] Personnel Department, Ford Motor Company, Sharonville, Ohio, advised that [redacted] born [redacted] residence [redacted] has been employed by Ford Motor Company since August 22, 1958.

A neighborhood investigation at [redacted] on June 27, 1966, revealed that [redacted] and his family had recently moved to [redacted]

Attached is a copy of a report of interview with [redacted] on June 28, 1966, at Boone County, Kentucky

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Date June 30, 1966

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[redacted] was interviewed at his residence [redacted] at which time he was advised of the identity of the interviewing Agent, the purpose of the interview, and the fact that he did not have to make a statement to the interviewing Agent, and he could terminate the interview at any time he desired.

[redacted] was asked if he was a member of the Knights of the Ku Klux Klan, and he declined to state if he was a member at the present time, but he did advise that he had attended a rally of the Ku Klux Klan conducted on the farm of [redacted] in Orgonia, Ohio, during the summer of 1965. He also declined to state whether he had actually signed a membership card or paid an initiation fee into the Ku Klux Klan.

[redacted] advised, however, that he does not intend to participate in any activities sponsored by the Klan, since he does not agree with some of the Klan programs concerning force and violence against some minority groups. He stated, however, that he was in sympathy with some of the Klan objectives.

[redacted] continued that he has recently received information from the Ku Klux Klan indicating that there would be a meeting on July 4, 1966, at [redacted] farm in Orgonia, Ohio. He stated that he did not intend to attend this Klan function or any other Klan function, since he was too busy at the present time supporting his family, and attempting to start a new business venture.

[redacted] could not identify any of the individuals whom he saw at the farm at [redacted] during the Ku Klux Klan Rally in the summer of 1965, and knew of no efforts to start a Klan clavern in the Northern Kentucky area at this time.

The following description was obtained from observation

On 6/28/66 at Boone County, Kentucky File # LS 157-318

by SA [redacted] smh Date dictated 6/28/66

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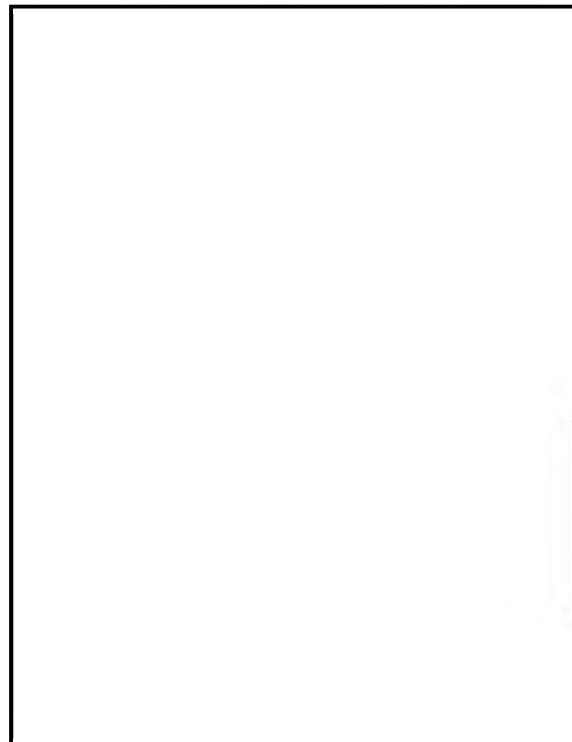
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1130 PM ESDT URGENT 7-24-66 JFW

TO DIRECTOR (157-168)

FROM CLEVELAND (100-10261)

NATIONAL KNIGHTS OF THE KLU KLUX KLAN, RM-KLAN

RE CVTEL TO BUREAU SEVEN TWENTY FOUR LAST.

KLAN RALLY CONTINUED THIS DATE ONE THE FARM OF
MEDINA COUNTY OHIO. RALLY TERMINATED THIS EVENING. NO ANTI-DEMONSTRATERS, ACTS OF VIOLENCE OR ARRESTS REPORTED.

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TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (157-168)

FROM: SAC, CLEVELAND (100-10261) (P)

RE: NATIONAL KNIGHTS OF THE KU KLUX KLAN
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The local office of the United States Secret Service is being furnished two (2) copies of the LHM and one (1) each is being furnished to the USA, ONI, OSI, and G-2.

The Confidential Source mentioned in the LHM is [redacted] who orally furnished instant information to SA [redacted] on July 20, 1966.

The Atlanta office is specifically being alerted

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to the fact that their subjects JAMES R. VENABLE and [redacted]
[redacted] are expected to attend this rally. Copies of informant's
report concerning these individuals will subsequently be
furnished the Atlanta office.

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The Cleveland office will keep the Bureau advised
relative to the Rally scheduled for July 23 and 24, 1966.



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Cleveland, Ohio
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NATIONAL KNIGHTS OF THE KU KLUX KLAN, INC.

NATIONAL KNIGHTS OF THE
KU KLUX KLAN RALLY
SCHEDULED FOR JULY 23 AND
24, 1966, NEAR LODI, OHIO

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A characterization of the
National Knights of the Ku Klux
Klan, Inc. (NKKKK) appears as an
Appendix attached hereto.

A Confidential Source, who has furnished reliable information in the past concerning Klan matters, on July 20, 1966, advised that a NKKKK Rally would be held Saturday and Sunday, July 23 and 24, 1966, on the farm of [redacted] [redacted] is a member of the NKKKK and his farm is located on County Road #90, about 1½ miles west of State Route #76, which is about two miles south of Lodi, Ohio. James R. Venable, Imperial Wizard of the NKKKK, and [redacted] of the NKKKK, are expected to be the principle speakers.

Norman J. Stuart, Sheriff, Medina County, Medina, Ohio, was advised of the above on July 20, 1966. He advised that adequate arrangements will be made to prevent any violence at the Rally.

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 RE: NATIONAL KNIGHTS OF THE KU KLUX KLAN
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No dissemination is being made on a local level inasmuch as the information contained in the LHM is on a national level and further, the information was only made known by Imperial Wizard JAMES R. VENABLE to a Cleveland Racial Informant and a subject from the Pittsburgh office, the circumstances of which could lead to informant's identity should the information receive wide dissemination and especially if the information could be planted.

Offices receiving this communication should be very circumspect in the utilization of instant information in future reports and communications unless otherwise

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corroborated by other sources.

[redacted] orally furnished instant information
to SA [redacted] on July 19, 1966. He advised that [redacted]
[redacted] JAMES R. VENABLE

[redacted]
[redacted] It should be noted that this was
during the NKKKK rally held July 16 and 17, 1966,
near Lodi.

In addition to information appearing in the LHM

[redacted] asked VENABLE [redacted]
[redacted]

No further details were given as to the identity
of this individual, however, from the short conversation
concerning the matter it appeared to informant that this
individual was either from Georgia or Pennsylvania.
VENABLE made no commitment to represent this individual.

The above was not incorporated into the LHM
as it appears to be a non-Klan connected matter.

The Atlanta and Pittsburgh offices will subsequently
be furnished copies of informant's report for their
respective files on VENABLE and [redacted]

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Cleveland, Ohio
July 20, 1966

NATIONAL KNIGHTS OF THE KU KLUX KLAN, INC.

POSSIBLE MERGER OF UNITED
KLANS OF AMERICA AND THE
NATIONAL KNIGHTS OF THE
KU KLUX KLAN

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A characterization of the United
Klans of America (UKA) and National
Knights of the Ku Klux Klan, Inc.
(NKKKK) appears as Appendix Pages
attached hereto.

A Confidential Source, who has furnished reliable
information in the past concerning Klan matters, advised on
July 19, 1966, that James R. Venable, Imperial Wizard of the
NKKKK, on July 16, 1966, informed that it is very likely
that the UKA and NKKKK and possibly one of the other major
Klans would merge into one strong Klan in the near future.
Venable noted that the UKA and NKKKK are already in the
process of merging in Delaware, Maryland, and one other
state source could not recall.

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Mr. Trotter	_____
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Miss Holmes	_____
Miss Gandy	_____

FBI CLEVELND

1:11 AM EDST URGENT 7-24-66 EMK

TO: DIRECTOR (157-168)

FROM: CLEVELAND (100-10261)

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NATIONL KNIGHTS OF THE KLU KLUX KLAN - RM - CLAN

RE CV AIRTEL TO BUR SEVEN TWENTH SIXTY SIX.

RALLY HELD ON THE PROPERTY OF [REDACTED] IN MEDINA

COUNTH, OHIO [REDACTED]

ATTENDED. NO ANTI CLAN DEMONSTRATORS, ACTS OF VIOLENCE OR
ARRESTS.

CV WILL CONTINUE TO FOLLOW.

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

TO : DIRECTOR, FBI (157-168)

DATE 7/27/66

FROM : SAC, ATLANTA (157-60)

SUBJECT: NATIONAL KNIGHTS OF THE KU KLUX KLAN
RACIAL MATTERS

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The following names are submitted to the Bureau for indexing purposes in connection with captioned organization. Identifying information available to the Atlanta Office concerning each of these individuals is set out. This list may include corrections in the spelling or other instances where the names are spelled differently from that previously furnished to the Bureau.

NAME

IDENTIFYING DATA

Member of NKKKK at Thomaston, Ga.
Resides in [redacted]
Employed by Thomaston Mills
Age [redacted]

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Member NKKKK at Barnesville, Ga.
Employed at [redacted] at Eldora
Mills, Barnesville GA

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Member NKKKK, Barnesville GA

Member NKKKK, Barnesville GA

Member NKKKK, Thomaston GA
Address- [redacted]

Member NKKKK, Thomaston GA
Address [redacted]

Member NKKKK, Thomaston, Employed by
Thomaston Country Club

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Date: 7/23/66

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Via _____
(Priority)

Mr. Tolson	✓
Mr. DeLoach	✓
Mr. Mohr	✓
Mr. Wick	✓
Mr. Casper	
Mr. Callahan	
Mr. Conrad	
Mr. Felt	
Mr. Gale	
Mr. Rosen	
Mr. Sullivan	✓
Mr. Tavel	
Mr. Trotter	
Tele. Room	
Miss Holmes	
Miss Gandy	

TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (157-168)

FROM: SAC, CLEVELAND (100-10261) (P)

RE: NATIONAL KNIGHTS OF THE KU KLUX KLAN
RM - KLAN

OO: ATLANTA

ALL INFORMATION CONTAINED
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DATE 8-23-88 BY SP8/BJT

Re CV airtel to Bureau 7/20/66.

NORMAN STUART, Sheriff, Medina, Ohio, advised on 7/22/66, that he had recently been contacted by representatives of the Plain Dealer, Cleveland, Ohio, daily newspaper, and the Beacon Journal, Akron, Ohio, daily newspaper, advising him that [redacted] Ohio [redacted] for NKKKK, had contacted them in an attempt to obtain publicity for Klan rallies on the property of [redacted] Medina County, on the week ends of 7/23 - 24/66; 7/30 - 31/66 and 8/6 - 7/66. [redacted] stated that on the weekend of 7/30 - 31/66, he was planning a "real weekend, something unusual for this part of Ohio". [redacted] also stated that if the Sheriff continued to harass him, there would be trouble. Sheriff STUART advised that he had not used any harassing tactics against [redacted] and that he did not know what [redacted] meant.

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[redacted] Will contact logical sources in an attempt to verify if [redacted] is actually planning rallies on above dates, determine what

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unusual plans [] has for the weekend of 7/30 - 31/66,
and advise Cleveland of any positive info by 7/29/66.

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Will conduct same investigation as set forth for Cincinnati, and will advise Bureau results in form suitable for dissemination.

UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

TO : DIRECTOR, FBI (157-168)

DATE: 7/28/66

FROM : SAC, CLEVELAND (100-10261)

SUBJECT: NATIONAL KNIGHTS OF THE
KU KLUX KLAN
RACIAL MATTER - KLAN
(OO: Atlanta)

ALL INFORMATION CONTAINED
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DATE 8-23-88 BY SP8WJ/pt

Re Report of SA [] dated 4/22/66
at Cleveland.

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Agent to whom this matter is assigned has been
handling expedite matters and phases of current racial
riots in Cleveland.

A 90-day organizational report on the National
Knights of the Ku Klux Klan (NKKKK) within the Cleveland
Division will be submitted to reach the Bureau by August 10,
1966.

- 2 - Bureau (RM)
- 1 - Atlanta (157-60) (Info) (RM)
- 1 - Cleveland

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Date: 7-25-66

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TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (157-168)
 FROM: SAC, CLEVELAND (100-10261) (P)
 RE: NATIONAL KNIGHTS OF THE KU KLUX KLAN
RACIAL MATTER - KLAN
 OO: ATLANTA

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 DATE 8-22-88 BY SP-8 [signature] 13/1/88

Re Cleveland airtel to Bureau, 7-20-66; and
 Cleveland teletypes to Bureau, 7-24-66.

Enclosed herewith for the Bureau are eight (8)
 copies of an LHM regarding a Klan rally held in Medina
 County on 7-23-66, and 7-24-66. Copies of this LHM are
 also being enclosed for the information of Atlanta.

Copies of this LHM are being furnished locally
 to the USA, Secret Service, and Military Intelligence
 Agencies.

Confidential Source referred to in LHM is
 identified as [redacted]

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 2 - Cincinnati (157-245) (Info) (Enc. 2) (RM)
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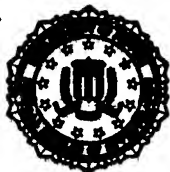
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FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

In Reply, Please Refer to

File No. 100-10261

Cleveland, Ohio
July 25, 1966

ALL INFORMATION CONTAINED
HEREIN IS UNCLASSIFIED
DATE 8-23-88 BY SP8WJ/fat

NATIONAL KNIGHTS OF THE KU KLUX KLAN, INC. (NKKKK)

Sheriff Norman Stuart, Medina County, Sheriff's Office, Medina, Ohio, advised on 7-23-66, that the Klan rally held by [redacted] on the property of [redacted] in Medina County began that afternoon and ended that night at about 11:20 p.m. following the burning of a cross. Sheriff Stuart said that during the lighting of the cross 31 persons were observed to be present, 13 of which had their right hands clasped over their hearts and their left hands extended forward at a 45° angle in Nazi-like fashion. He said that [redacted] NKKKK member from Lodi, Ohio, spoke at the rally. He said [redacted] used a loud-speaker system for his speech but that later the loud-speaker system was turned off and at that time it was announced that during the weekend of July 30 - 31, 1966, they were planning three separate rallies on different sites in Medina County.

Sheriff Stuart said that this rally continued on July 24, 1966, and terminated that evening. He said that there were no anti-Klan demonstrators; acts of violence or arrests.

On July 23, 1966, a Confidential Source who has furnished reliable information in the past advised that James Venable, National Chairman of the NKKKK, did not attend the above rally, but that he is scheduled to appear at rallies in Medina County planned for the weekend of July 30 - 31, 1966.

A characterization of the NKKKK
is attached.

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Date:

7/26/66

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TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (157-168)

FROM: SAC, CLEVELAND (100-10261) (P)

RE: NATIONAL KNIGHTS OF THE KU KLUX KLAN, INC.
RACIAL MATTER - KLAN

OO: Atlanta

ALL INFORMATION CONTAINED
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DATE 8-23-88 BY SP-1 JCH

Enclosed for the Bureau are eight (8) copies of an LHM. The Cincinnati and Atlanta Offices are each being furnished two (2) copies of the LHM.

The local office of U. S. Secret Service is being furnished two (2) copies of the LHM, and one (1) each is being furnished to the USA, NIS, ONI and G-2.

The Confidential Source mentioned in the LHM is who orally furnished instant information to SA [redacted] on 7/25/66.

The Atlanta Office is specifically being alerted to the fact that their subjects JAMES R. VENABLE, [redacted] are expected to attend these rallies.

- 3 - Bureau (Enc. 8) ENCLOSURE
2 - Atlanta (157-60) (Enc. 2) (RM)
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AGENCY: ACSI, ONI, OSI, SEC SER
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DATE FORW: JUL 29 1966

HOW FORW: [redacted]

BY: [redacted]

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Special Agent in Charge

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Copies of informant's report concerning these individuals being furnished the Atlanta Office, and the Cincinnati Office at the same time is being furnished informant's report because of information bearing on



The Cleveland Office will keep the Bureau advised relative to the rallies scheduled for 7/30 and 31/66.

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In Reply, Please Refer to
File No.

Cleveland, Ohio
July 26, 1966

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DATE 8-23-88 BY SP8 BTJ/gab

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NATIONAL KNIGHTS OF THE KU KLUX KLAN, INC.

Three (3) Separate NKKKK Rallies
Scheduled to be Held in Medina County,
Ohio, July 30 and 31, 1966

A characterization of the National
Knights of the Ku Klux Klan, Inc. (NKKKK)
appears as an Appendix attached hereto.

A Confidential Source, who has furnished reliable
information in the past concerning Klan matters, on [redacted]
[redacted] informed that the NKKKK will hold three separate
rallies in Medina County, Ohio, on July 30 and 31, 1966, at
the following locations:

Rally #1

Farm of [redacted] on County Road #90,
about one and one-half miles west of State
Route #76, which is about two miles south
of Lodi, Ohio.

Rally #2

Property of [redacted] located on State
Route [redacted]
[redacted]

Rally #3

On or near U. S. Route #42, north of Brunswick,
Ohio, and south of Strongsville, Ohio (Cuyahoga
County) and described as "just across the line
in Medina County."

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ENCLOSURE

RE: NATIONAL KNIGHTS OF THE KU KLUX KLAN, INC.

REPORT OF ORIGINATOR

Source advised that according to [redacted] Ohio [redacted] of the NKKKK, the purpose of holding three separate rallies within Medina County will be to harass Medina County Sheriff NORMAN J. STUART and his staff for the strict measures Sheriff STUART has been imposing on recent NKKKK Rallies held in Medina County, which [redacted] believes is the reason for the poor attendance at these recent rallies.

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Source further advised that [redacted] plans to have JAMES R. RAVENABLE, Imperial Wizard of the NKKKK; [redacted] of the NKKKK; and [redacted] another [redacted] of the NKKKK, all from the national organization of the NKKKK in the Atlanta, Georgia area appear at these rallies as the principal speakers. [redacted] plans to shuttle these three speakers between the three rallies.

OHIO
Handbills announcing the rallies will be passed out by the Klansmen in downtown Cleveland, Akron, Medina, and Lodi, Ohio, and press releases will be made by [redacted]

NORMAN J. STUART, Sheriff, Medina County, Medina, Ohio, was advised of the above on July 26, 1966. He advised that adequate arrangements will be made to prevent any violence at these rallies.

CLARENCE A. [redacted]

NATIONAL OFFICE, SUBTLE ORGANIZATION

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

TO : Director, FBI (157-168)

DATE: 7/29/66

FROM : SAC, Pittsburgh (157-425) P

ALL INFORMATION CONTAINED

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DATE 8-23-88 BY SP8 BTJ/fat

SUBJECT: NATIONAL KNIGHTS OF THE KU KLUX KLAN, INC., aka
RM (KLAN)

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Re Pittsburgh airtel to Bureau, 3/15/66, concerning proposed rally of captioned organization in Southern West Virginia in late April or early May, 1966.

There has been no further news publicity concerning such a proposed rally or any other rally since 3/9 and 3/10/66.

Law enforcement agencies in the area have been questioned during daily contacts and have advised that they have received no information concerning such a rally.

In the event any further information is received, the Bureau will be promptly advised.

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TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (157-168)

FROM: SAC, CINCINNATI (157-245) (P)

SUBJECT: NATIONAL KNIGHTS OF THE KU KLUX KLAN
RM-KLAN

OO: ATLANTA

Re Cleveland airtel to Bureau, 7/23/66.

On [redacted] (PROB) advised that he had been
contacted by [redacted] who advised [redacted]b2
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- 9069-0 ([redacted])
- ③ Bureau
 - 2 - Cleveland (100-10261)
 - 2 - Atlanta (157-60)
 - 3 - Cincinnati (2-157-245)
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Date: 7/29/66

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TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (157-168)

FROM: SAC, CINCINNATI (157-245) (P)

SUBJECT: NATIONAL KNIGHTS OF THE KU KLUX KLAN
(NKKKK)
RM-KLAN

OO: ATLANTA

Re Cleveland airtel to Bureau, 7/23/66, and
Cincinnati airtel to Bureau, 7/27/66.

On 7/29/66, [redacted]

[redacted] (who requested her identity be concealed) and with whom the Cincinnati Office has had no prior contact, telephonically advised that [redacted]

[redacted]

[redacted]

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[REDACTED]

It is believed that [REDACTED] and his companions are probably going to attend one of the three Klan rallies which [REDACTED] is organizing and hold simultaneously in Medina County, Ohio.

Today, [REDACTED] (PROB) advised that the three Klan rallies to be held this weekend in Medina County are as follows:

1. Property of FNU [REDACTED] Medina County
2. State Route 252, Valley City opposite Buckeye School around East Brunswick
3. West Brunswick four miles east of State Route 42; one mile west State Route 3 on Grafton Road at State Route 71.

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[REDACTED] (PROB) advised [REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

He said regarding the alleged guns that are purportedly stashed in the Cleveland area, [REDACTED] had no knowledge of them. He said, however, that [REDACTED] has instructed members time and time again not to bring any firearms with them in their automobiles.

This information was telephonically furnished the Cleveland Office today.

FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION
U. S. DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE
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2:17 AM EDST URGENT 7-31-66 EMK

TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (157-168)

FROM: SAC, CLEVELAND (100-10261) (P)

ALL INFORMATION CONTAINED
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DATE 8-23-88 BY SP-7/JS

Mr. Tolson _____
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Mr. Mohr _____
Mr. Wick _____
Mr. Casper _____
Mr. Callahan _____
Mr. Conrad _____
Mr. Felt _____
Mr. Gale _____
Mr. Rosen _____
Mr. Sullivan _____
Mr. Tavel _____
Mr. Trotter _____
Tele. Room _____
Miss Holmes _____
Miss Gandy _____

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NATIONAL KNIGHTS OF THE KLU KLUX KLAN - RM - CLAN.

RE CVAIRTEL TO BUREAU SEVEN TWENTY SIX LAST.

NKKKK CLAN RALLIES HELD AT THREE SITES IN MEDINA COUNTY
OHIO SEVEN THIRTY LAST AS SCHEDULED. MEDINA COUNTY SO ESTI-
MATED TOTAL ATTENDANCE AT SIXTY. JAMES R. VENABLE WAS PRESEN-
ONLY CROSS WHICH WAS BURNED WAS AT RALLY SITE NUMBER ONE ON
PROPERTY OF [REDACTED] NO INCIDENTS, ACTS OF VIOLENCE
OR ARRESTS REPORTED. RALLIES TO CONTINUE THIS DATE. CV
WILL CONTINUE TO FOLLOW.

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FBI CLEVELAND

1050 PM ESDT URGENT 7-31-66 JFW

TO DIRECTOR (157-168)

FROM CLEVELAND (100-10261)

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DATE 8-23-88 BY SP8UTJ/bak

NATIONAL KNIGHTS OF THE KU KLUX KLAN, RM- KLAN.

RE CVTEL TO BUREAU THIS DATE.

NKKK RALLY CONTINUED THIS DATE IN MEDINA COUNTY, OHIO AT RALLY
SITE NUMBER ONE , PROPERTY OF [REDACTED] . ABOUT SIX CARS OF
KLANSMAN WERE PRESENT. RALLY AT OTHER TWO SITES IN MEDINA COUNTY
DID NOT RESUME TODAY.

NO ARRESTS, INCIDENCE OR ACTS OF VIOLENCE REPORTED.

LHM TO FOLLOW.

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Date: 8/1/66

Transmit the following in _____
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TO: Director, FBI (157-168)

FROM: SAC, Cleveland (100-10261) (P)

NATIONAL KNIGHTS OF THE KU KLUX KLAN, INC.
RACIAL MATTERS - KLAN

OO: Atlanta

ALL INFORMATION CONTAINED
HEREIN IS UNCLASSIFIED
DATE 8-23-88 BY SP-5

Enclosed for the Bureau are eight copies of an LHM. The Atlanta and Cincinnati Offices are each being furnished two copies of this LHM.

The local office of U.S. Secret Service is being furnished two copies of the LHM, and one copy each is being furnished to the USA, NIS, OSI and G-2.

The confidential source mentioned in the LHM is [redacted] who orally furnished instant information to SA [redacted] on [redacted]

The Cincinnati Office will subsequently be furnished a copy of informant's report bearing on information re [redacted]

The Cleveland Office will keep the Bureau advised relative to the rallies scheduled for 8/6,7/66.

1cc detached by
Klan Unit

AGENCY: ACSI, ONI, OSI, SEC SER

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DATE FORW: 8-5-66

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BY: TGM/m

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UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE
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Cleveland, Ohio

August 1, 1966

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ALL INFORMATION CONTAINED
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DATE 8-23-88 BY SP8 J. J. J. J.

NATIONAL KNIGHTS OF THE KU KLUX KLAN, INC.

NKKKK Rally Scheduled for
August 6 and 7, 1966,
near Lodi, Ohio

Characterization of the National Knights of the
Ku Klux Klan, Inc. (NKKKK), appears as an appendix
attached hereto.

A confidential source, who has furnished reliable
information in the past concerning Klan matters, on August 1,
1966, informed that [redacted] Ohio [redacted] of the NKKKK.
and a small group of Klansmen met in the farmhouse of [redacted]
[redacted] near Lodi, Ohio, on [redacted] at which time it
was decided that an NKKKK rally would be held August 6 and 7,
1966, on [redacted] farm, which is located on County Road #90,
about 1 1/2 miles west of State Route #76, which is about 2 miles
south of Lodi, Ohio.

This group plans to place a paid advertisement
announcing the rally in the "Akron Beacon Journal," a daily
newspaper published in Akron, Ohio, and [redacted] will also
mail out announcements to Klansmen and to individuals whose
names he has accumulated in the past who have shown some
interest in the Klan movement.

Norman J. Stuart, Sheriff, Medina County, Medina,
Ohio, was advised of the above on August 1, 1966. He advised
that adequate arrangements will be made to prevent any violence
at this rally.

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FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

REPORTING OFFICE INDIANAPOLIS	OFFICE OF ORIGIN ATLANTA	DATE 8/3/66	INVESTIGATIVE PERIOD 3/23 - 7/2/66
TITLE OF CASE NATIONAL KNIGHTS OF THE KU KLUX KLAN, aka.		REPORT MADE BY SA 	TYPED BY /blw
		CHARACTER OF CASE RACIAL MATTERS (KLAN)	

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REFERENCES:

Report of SA dated 3/29/66
at Indianapolis.

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LEADS:

INDIANAPOLIS

At Indianapolis, Indiana

Will follow and report activities and result
litigation.

ADMINISTRATIVE:

Copies are designated for Cincinnati and Atlanta in
view of their interest in this organization.

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APPROVED <i>C. H. Wm</i>	SPECIAL AGENT IN CHARGE	DO NOT WRITE IN SPACES BELOW		
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By	BY: <i>[Signature]</i>			

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INFORMANTS

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UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE
FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

Copy to: 1 - G-2, 5th Army, Chicago (RM)
1 - NISO, Chicago (RM)
1 - OSI, Chanute Field, Illinois (RM)
1 - U. S. Secret Service, Indianapolis (RM)

Report of: SA [redacted]
Date: 8/3/66

Office: Indianapolis

Field Office File #: Indianapolis 157-175

Bureau File #: 157-168

Title: NATIONAL KNIGHTS OF THE KU KLUX KLAN

Character: RACIAL MATTERS (KLAN)

ALL INFORMATION CONTAINED
HEREIN IS UNCLASSIFIED
DATE 8-23-88 BY SP8 BTJ/6

Synopsis: Information developed that members of the National Knights of the Ku Klux Klan (NKKKK) in Indiana joining United Klans of America, Inc. NKKKK meeting in Oregonia, Ohio, July 4th weekend in 1966 considered failure. NKKKK has filed suit U. S. District Court, Southern District of Indiana, to test unconstitutionality of the Indiana State laws which prohibit "racketeering in hate."

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DETAILS:

A characterization of the National Knights of the Ku Klux Klan (NKKKK) is set forth in the appendix of this report.

INDIANA STATE ORGANIZATION

Confidential Informant [redacted] advised on [redacted] that information had come to his attention that two members of the NKKKK were no longer associated with this organization.

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[] stated both were now members of the United Klans of America, Inc.

A characterization of the United Klans of America, Inc. is set out in the appendix of this report.

[] further advised no information has been developed to date that this organization is attempting to organize in the State of Indiana.

Confidential Informant [] advised on [] that a rally was held by the NKKKK at Oregonia, Ohio. The meeting was considered a solid failure and members in attendance continually argued among themselves concerning Klan policies and objectives, which resulted in confusion and lack of leadership.

LITIGATION

The records of the Clerk of the Court, United States District Court, Southern District of Indiana, were made available by [] Clerk of the Court, on May 18, 1966.

The records reflect under Civil Action Number [] that a complaint for Declaratory Judgment and Injunction was filed.

The plaintiffs listed were [] and the National Knights of the Ku Klux Klan.

The defendants were listed as [] of the 7th Judicial Circuit of Indiana; [] as [] of the 18th Judicial Circuit of Indiana; [] of the 60th Judicial Circuit of Indiana; and [] as Attorney General of Indiana.

The basic complaint is the constitutionality of Indiana Acts of 1947, Chapter 56, set forth in Burns Indiana Statutes, Sections 10-904 through 10-914, and common relief is sought against all said officials in their official capacities.

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The statutes referred to are commonly known as the Indiana Anti-Racketeering in Hate Statutes.

The Clerk of the Court advised that the complaint requested a hearing on this matter by three Federal judges.

He advised no date has been set for this hearing.

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A P P E N D I X

UNITED KLANS OF AMERICA, INC.
(KNIGHTS OF THE KU KLUX KLAN (UNITED KLANS))

Records of Superior Court of Fulton County, Georgia, show that this Klan organization was granted a corporate charter on February 21, 1961, at Atlanta, Georgia, under the name United Klans, Knights of the Ku Klux Klan of America, Inc.

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A source advised on February 27, 1961, that United Klans was formed as a result of a split in U. S. Klans, Knights of the Ku Klux Klan, Inc. According to the source, the split resulted from a leadership dispute and the United Klans has the same aims and objectives as the parent group. These are the promotion of Americanism, white supremacy, and segregation of the races.

The [] source and a [] source advised in [] [] that United Klans, Knights of the Ku Klux Klan of America, Inc., merged with Alabama Knights, Knights of the Ku Klux Klan. The merged organization established headquarters in Suite 401, the Alston Building, Tuscaloosa, Alabama. The organization is [] by [] and is the dominant Klan group in the South with units in several southern States.

On [] the [] source advised that the organization formerly known as United Klans, Knights of the Ku Klux Klan of America, Inc., would be known in the future as United Klans of America, Inc., Knights of the Ku Klux Klan. The [] source said the name was changed by a resolution adopted at the National Klonvocation held July 8, 1961, at Indian Springs, Georgia.

The [] source advised that at a meeting at Prattville, Alabama, on October 22, 1961, a majority of the Klaverns of the U. S. Klans, Knights of the Ku Klux Klan, merged with the United Klans of America, Inc., Knights of the Ku Klux Klan.



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Indianapolis, Indiana
August 3, 1966

In Reply, Please Refer to
File No. IP 157-175

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KU KLUX KLAN

Character: RACIAL MATTERS (KLAN)

Reference: Indianapolis report of
SA [redacted]
dated and captioned as above.

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RACIAL MATTERS - KLAN

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Re Cleveland airtel, 7/26; and Cleveland tels,

7/31/66.

Enclosed for the Bureau are eight copies of an LHM regarding Klan rallies held in Medina County, Ohio, the weekend of 7/30-31/66.

The Atlanta and Cincinnati Offices are being furnished two copies of this LHM.

Local office of Secret Service is being furnished two copies of the LHM, and one copy each is being furnished to the USA, NIS, OSI and G-2.

G.C. Wick

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NATIONAL KNIGHTS OF THE KU KLUX KLAN, INC.

Three Separate NKKKK Rallies Held in
Medina County, Ohio, July 30 and 31, 1966

A characterization of the National Knights of the
Ku Klux Klan, Inc. (NKKKK), is attached.

Norman Stuart, Sheriff, Medina County, Medina, Ohio,
advised on July 31, 1966, as follows regarding NKKKK rallies
held in Medina County, Ohio, on July 30 and 31, 1966:

There were three rallies held. Rally #1 was on the
property of [redacted] on [redacted]
Rally #2 was on the property of [redacted] on [redacted]
[redacted] Rally #3 was on the property of [redacted]
[redacted]

Only a few individuals appeared at rally site #2 on
July 30, 1966, and they left there at about 6:30 PM that day
and went to the location of rally #3. Some speeches were made
at this site and then the group proceeded to the location of
rally #1, where about two or three cars of Klansmen were
already waiting.

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At rally site #1, James Venable, Imperial Wizard of
the NKKKK, appeared and a cross was burned at about 11:20 PM.
Approximately 50 or 60 persons were observed at this site.
About 15 individuals wore Klan robes, but none were seen
wearing masks. Rally #1 was the only site where a cross was
burned and the crowd dispersed immediately after the burning
of the cross.

At rally site #3 on July 30, 1966, the Brunswick
Police Department presented citations to the [redacted]
[redacted] for violations of various city ordinances regarding
the use of loud speakers and the displaying of signs.

ENCLOSURE

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Re: NATIONAL KNIGHTS OF THE KU KLUX KLAN, INC.

The following day, July 31, 1966, no Klan members were observed at rally sites #2 or #3, and only about six cars of Klansmen appeared at site #1 that afternoon.

In conclusion, there were no arrests or acts of violence and the rallies were held in an orderly manner, and further, no anti-Klan demonstrators were observed at any of the sites.

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TO DIRECTOR (157-168)

FROM CLEVELAND (100-10261) (P)

KNIGHTS OF THE KLU KLUX KLAN (RM)-KLAN

RE CLEVELAND TEL TO BUREAU THIS DATE.

NKKK RALLY CONTINUED THIS DATE ON PROPERTY OF [REDACTED]
IN MEDINA COUNTY, OHIO. ABOUT THIRTY PERSONS PRESENT. PROCEEDINGS
WERE ORDERLY AND TERMINATED ABOUT SIX THIRTY PM.

NO INCIDENTS, ARRESTS OR ACTS OF VIOLENCE.

LHM TO FOLLOW.

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		CHARACTER OF CASE RACIAL MATTERS - KLAN	

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Report of SA [REDACTED] dated 4/22/66 at Cleveland.

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The Cincinnati Office is being furnished one copy of this report in view of their interest in this matter.

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1 - Secret Service, Cleveland, Ohio (By Hand)

Report of: SA [redacted] Office: Cleveland
Date: August 8, 1966

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Bureau File #: 157-168

Title: NATIONAL KNIGHTS OF THE
KU KLUX KLAN, INC. (NKKKK)

Character: RACIAL MATTERS - KLAN

Synopsis:

Klavern #6, with about 55 members, centered at Cleveland, Ohio, and Klavern #7, with about 30 members, centered at Akron, Ohio, continue to hold regular monthly meetings. [redacted] of North Canton, Ohio, is the [redacted] of Ohio and [redacted] of Akron, Ohio is the [redacted] of Ohio. Klaverns #6 and #7 officers set forth. NKKKK State Organizational Structure was formulated at an Ohio State Conference of the NKKKK held 5/8/66 at Cleveland. No information developed to indicate NKKKK actually planning a March on Washington, D.C. NKKKK picketed "The Cleveland Press" on 4/30/66 and NKKKK rallies were held in Medina County, Ohio on 7/16 and 17/66; 7/23 and 24/66 and 7/30 and 31/66. In addition, local Klansmen attended NKKKK Anniversary Rally held 7/2-4/66 at Oregonia, Ohio. NKKKK also participated in two picket demonstrations sponsored by NCCS during June, 1966. Imperial Wizard JAMES R. VENABLE spoke at NCCS sponsored affair, 5/7/66 at Lakewood, Ohio. On 7/11/66, three NKKKK members burned a cross at a farm recently purchased by a Negro couple near Lodi, Ohio. UKA is presently organizing in Ohio and some NKKKK members indicate they will go over to UKA.

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DETAILS:**At Cleveland, Ohio**

A characterization of the National Knights of the Ku Klux Klan, Inc. (NKKKK) and United Klans of America, Inc. (UKA) is contained in the appendix of this report.

I. ORGANIZATIONAL STRUCTURE

A. Headquarters

[] on [] advised that the NKKKK has no headquarters within the confines of the Cleveland Division and to the best of his knowledge, the NKKKK has no headquarters within Ohio.

B. Charter Information

[] on [] advised that the NKKKK has no charter with the State of Ohio, although for a short period the NKKKK did have a charter which was granted by the State of Ohio and then revoked.

C. Objectives

[] advised on [] that through his association with the Klan movement, it is clear that the objectives of the NKKKK are to fight integration, bring about the repeal of the Civil Rights Act of 1964, as well as to present the views of the white race in a favorable light by insuring that the various news media present not only the Negroes views but also that of the white race in any particular issue.

[] noted that these objectives in the Northern Ohio area are expected to be brought about by peaceful means by the vast majority of Klansmen, although a very small minority within the movement have eluded to or even suggested forms of violence and intimidation against the Negro race as a solution to the problem.

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D. National and State Officers

[redacted] on [redacted] advised that there are no officers on the National level within the State of Ohio.

[redacted] on [redacted] ^{SUBJECT ORGANIZATION} advised that at an Ohio State Conference of the NKKKK held May 8, 1966, at Cleveland, Ohio, JAMES R. VENABLE, Imperial Wizard of the NKKKK, announced the appointment of [redacted] as the [redacted] for the State of Ohio.

In addition to the above, [redacted] ^{OF SUBJECT ORGANIZATION} noted that the following individuals who reside within the Cleveland Division were elected State Officers and members of the State Executive Board at the Ohio State Conference held May 8, 1966:

[redacted]
[redacted]
[redacted]

~~NOT ORGANIZATION~~

[redacted] on [redacted] advised that he learned that [redacted] of the NKKKK ^{SUBJECT ORGANIZATION} for the State of Ohio.

[redacted] on [redacted] informed that [redacted] continues to be [redacted] for the Northeastern Ohio Regional Klan Section. ^{OF SUBJECT ORGANIZATION}

E. Organizational Framework

[redacted] on [redacted] informed that on May 8, 1966, an Ohio State NKKKK Conference was held in Cleveland at which [redacted] presided and Imperial Wizard JAMES R. VENABLE attended. The following was a result of this conference:

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A State Executive Board was set up as a sort of court of appeals to handle grievances lodged against Klansmen and to settle disputes which are not settled on the Klavern level

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or in the event a Klansman is not satisfied with a Klavern ruling he may bring the matter to the State Executive Board. In the event a Klansman is not satisfied with the decision made by the State Executive Board, he may then bring the matter before the National Board.

A member representative from each Klavern will sit on the State Executive Board. This member representative will be selected by the Exalted Cyclops of the particular Klavern and in practice, will usually be the Exalted Cyclops.

State Klan officials below the rank of Vice Grand Dragon will be selected by a delegation whose membership will be composed of the Exalted Cyclops from each Klavern and two member representatives from each Klan who are to be appointed by their Exalted Cyclops.

The Grand Dragon and Vice Grand Dragon will be appointed on the national level and the Grand Dragon will have no powers of appointment. Klavern officials will be elected by the Klavern membership.

The State of Ohio was divided into four regional Klan sections. Each regional section will have at least one Great Titan and at least one Kleagle, although, heavily populated areas may have more than one Great Titan and Kleagle. The four regional Klan sections in Ohio are irregular portions of the State that are roughly equivalent to the Northeastern, Northwestern, Southeastern and Southwestern sections of Ohio.

II. KLAVERNS

A. Name and Location

[redacted] or [redacted] informed that to his knowledge there are only two functioning Klaverns within the Cleveland Division which are Klavern #6, centered in Cleveland, Ohio and Klavern #7, centered at Akron, Ohio. He noted that these two Klaverns are in the Northeastern Ohio Regional Klan Section and there are no organized Klaverns within the Northwestern Ohio Regional Klan Section, although applications for NKKKK membership have, in the past, been taken from individuals who reside within the Northwestern Ohio Regional Klan Section.

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[] further noted that there is no concrete evidence other than Klaverns #6 and #7 exist in the Cleveland Division. He did note that in the past, [] has made reference to another active Klavern within 50 miles of Cleveland and it is felt that he was referring to a small group of Klansmen in the Lodi-Brunswick, Ohio area.

[] of Lodi, Ohio, is extremely active in Klan affairs and it is quite possible that Klansmen in this area occasionally meet but are not sufficient in numerical strength for the formation of an active Klavern.

[] on [] informed that he is only aware of two NKKKK Klaverns within the Northeastern Ohio Regional Klan Section and that they are Klavern #6 at Cleveland, Ohio and Klavern #7 at Akron, Ohio.

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B. Membership and Recruitment

Klavern #6 - Cleveland, Ohio

[] on [] informed that there are approximately 55 members carried on the rolls of Klavern #6, although only about 20 of these individuals are considered active members.

He noted that recruitment for the most part is by rallies held to attract individuals who may have an interest in the Klan movement.

Klavern #7 - Akron, Ohio

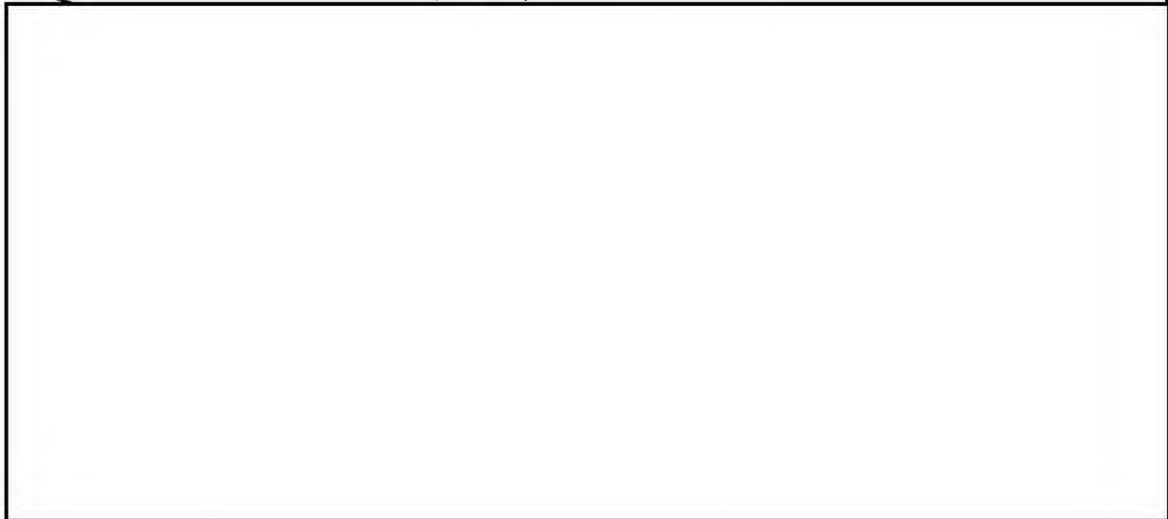
[] on [] informed that Klavern #7 Akron, Ohio, has approximately 30 members and of these, only about 15 are considered active members. He noted that recruitment has been by rallies held to attract membership.

C. Officers

Klavern #6 - Cleveland, Ohio

[] on [] informed that Klavern #6 held an election on May 8, 1966, at which time the following individuals were elected:

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The position of Kligrapp (Secretary) was left open and the vacancy will be filled in the future. However, [redacted] noted that [redacted] was named the temporary Kligrapp and as of August 1, 1966, [redacted] was still considered the temporary Kligrapp.

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In addition to the above, [redacted] informed that at a Klavern #6 meeting held June 2, 1966, a Guard Unit was formed which is to handle the security at Klan rallies. [redacted] was named head of the Guard Unit and he will be assisted by [redacted] and [redacted]. These individuals are not officers of the Klavern, although a member can hold an office with the Klavern and still be a member of the Guard Unit.

Klavern #7 - Akron, Ohio

[redacted] on [redacted] advised that the following are officers of Klavern #7, Akron, Ohio:

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III. ACTIVITIES

A. Meetings

Klavern #6 - Cleveland, Ohio

[redacted] on [redacted] informed that Klavern #6 normally holds its meetings on the first Thursday of each month at 8:00 P.M. and on the third Sunday of each month at 2:00 P.M. Klavern #6 has no regular meeting place but currently rents available space under the name "SWL Radio Club".

[redacted] advised on [redacted] that Klavern #6 held a meeting on April 30, 1966 at the Franklin Room, Holiday Inn Motel, 16501 Brookpark Road, Brookpark, Ohio. About 20 Klansmen attended this meeting, including several Klansmen from southern Ohio who were sent to the meeting by [redacted] Ohio [redacted] for the NKKKK, in an attempt to control the election of Klavern #6 officers, which was to have been held on that day. [redacted] of Klavern #6, refused to go along with the election and due to a stalemate, JAMES R. VENABLE, Imperial Wizard of the NKKKK, was telephonically contacted in Georgia. VENABLE advised that the Klavern #6 elections should be postponed as he would be in the Cleveland area on May 6, 1966, for a speaking engagement on May 7, 1966.

[redacted] previously described the results of the Klavern #6 election meeting which was held May 8, 1966, at the Travel Lodge Motel, Brookpark, Ohio.

[redacted] on [redacted] advised that on May 21, 1966 a regular monthly meeting of Klavern #6 was held in Parlor B, Statler-Hilton Hotel, Cleveland, Ohio, at which meeting nine Klansmen were in attendance.

At this meeting, it was decided that regular Klan meetings be held the first Thursday of each month at 8:00 P.M. and the third Sunday of each month at 2:00 P.M.

[redacted] on [redacted] informed that on June 2, 1966, a regular monthly meeting of Klavern #6 was held in the Otis Room, Manger Hotel, Cleveland, Ohio. About 19 Klansmen attended the meeting and it mainly concerned the dissatisfaction with [redacted] and the visit of [redacted] to Cleveland, May 28 and 29, 1966. It was

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decided at this meeting that JAMES R. VENABLE be advised of the Klavern's dissatisfaction with LOYAL JOHNS and the possibility that some Klavern #6 members may go over to the UKA if nothing is done about [redacted]

[redacted] on [redacted] informed that Klavern #6 held a regular monthly meeting on June 19, 1966, in the American Room, Manger Hotel, Cleveland, Ohio. Nine Klansmen showed up for this meeting and they discussed a NKKKK Anniversary Rally to be held at Oregonia, Ohio, July 2-4, 1966; finances of Klavern #6 and possible participation by the Klavern in picketing proposed undersponsorship of the National Christian Conservative Society (NCCS).

[redacted] on [redacted] informed that a Klavern #6 monthly meeting was held July 7, 1966, at the Manger Htel, Cleveland, Ohio, at which meeting eleven Klansmen attended. [redacted] brought up the matter of a \$10.00 per month per Klansman assessment that was suggested at a State Executive Board meeting held July 3, 1966 at Oregonia, Ohio. A vote was taken and this proposal was turned down. It was also voted that the Klavern would not send any of its funds outside of the Klavern and [redacted] noted that the members present are beginning to wonder what is happening to Klan funds that are collected.

Klavern #7-Akron, Ohio

[redacted] on [redacted] advised that Klavern #7, Akron, Ohio, meetings, are currently scheduled for every third Sunday in the month. These are closed meetings which are held at the residence of [redacted] North Canton, Ohio. At the present time, [redacted] a member of Klavern #7, is also preparing a garage [redacted] the Market Motors West, 692 West Bowery Street, Akron, Ohio, for a future Klavern #7 meeting site.

[redacted] on [redacted] reported that Klavern #7 held a regular monthly meeting on May 9, 1966 at the home of [redacted] at which meeting about 16 Klavern #7 members were present.

[redacted] on [redacted] advised that Klavern #7 held a regular monthly meeting on May 23, 1966, at the home of [redacted] but he was unable to attend.

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[redacted] on [redacted] informed that a regular monthly meeting of Klavern #7 was held [redacted] at the home of [redacted] and [redacted] showed up. Very little took place at this meeting.

State Executive Board Meeting and Hearing
July 3, 1966

[redacted] Farm, Oregonia, Ohio

[redacted] on [redacted] informed that a State Executive Board meeting and hearing was held June 3, 1966 on the farm of [redacted] Oregonia, Ohio. About 19 Executive Board members were present.

At this meeting, charges were brought by [redacted] against [redacted] and [redacted] accusing them of working for the UKA and attending communist meetings. [redacted] and [redacted] admitted that they had, in fact, attended communist meetings; however, [redacted] noted that they did so for the benefit of the Klan. The charges against [redacted] and [redacted] were dropped.

It was also decided at this meeting that the Exalted Cyclops from each Klavern collect an assessment of \$10.00 per month from each Klavern member to build up the NKKKK Treasury. This amount would cover both dues and collections.

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B. Public Gatherings, Demonstrations

March on Washington, D.C.

[redacted] previously reported on [redacted] that [redacted] former Klabeer of Klavern #6, on January 9, 1966, stated that the Klan planned a March on Washington, D.C. on Memorial Day, 1966. The purpose of the march, according to [redacted] would be to stop integration and force the repeal of the civil rights law. [redacted] remarked "If this march is not successful, the Klan intends to revolt against the Government and start another Civil War." [redacted] stated that he received his information concerning this march from "National Headquarters in Georgia".

[redacted] Apartment #2 ORGANIZATION
Cleveland, Ohio, was interviewed by Special Agents of the FBI on January 19, 1966, at which time he admitted attending meetings of the NKKKK in Cleveland but denied membership. During this interview, he informed that the Klan was going to march on Washington, D.C., on Independence Day in 1966, to protest civil rights legislation and that it was to decide who is going to run the United States, the whites or the blacks. He was highly critical of the U.S. Government, commenting that they seem only to be concerned with the Negroes and not the whites. He stated that he, himself, was in favor of mass migration by the white people from this country to either Canada or Australia, and leave the country to the Negroes. He advised that he was trying to interest the Klan in this movement. He informed that although he is a citizen of the United States he, himself, had written to the Australian Consulate in New York City about migrating to Australia and was advised that he could not migrate to that country because he did not have an employable background.

[redacted] on [redacted] informed that no information has come to his attention regarding a Klan March on Washington, D.C. and if there were any serious efforts in this direction within Klavern #6, Cleveland, Ohio, or nationally, this would most certainly have come to his attention. He did note that [redacted] a current member of Klavern #6 and former officer of this Klavern, has mentioned a "March on Washington" for Memorial Day, 1966, but feels this is [redacted] own idea and no positive steps have actually been taken by him in promoting such an undertaking.

[redacted] advised on [redacted] that he has no information of a proposed march on Washington sponsored by the NKKKK or any other organization. He is aware of no plans by the NKKKK or any other organization for May 30, 1966.

[redacted] advised on [redacted] that JAMES R. VENABLE as Imperial Wizard of the NKKKK, is not planning or participating in any march on Washington on May 30, 1966. He has not given his approval for any such march sponsored by any member or Klavern of his organization. [redacted] advised that he is not aware that such a march has ever been proposed to VENABLE.

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Picketing of "The Cleveland Press"
Cleveland, Ohio
April 30, 1966

A characterization of the White Citizens Council of Ohio (WCCO) appears in the appendix section of this report.

[redacted] on [redacted] informed that the NKKKK will hold a picket demonstration against "The Cleveland Press" a daily newspaper published in Cleveland, Ohio, on Saturday, April 30, 1966, for a couple of hours, commencing at about 3:00 P.M. "The Cleveland Press" building is located at the northeast corner of East 9th Street and Lakeside Avenue, Cleveland, Ohio. This source advised that [redacted] Ohio [redacted] of the NKKKK from Oregonia, Ohio, is sending letters to all Klavern #6, Cleveland, Ohio members to meet at 3:00 P.M. April 30, 1966, in the vicinity of "The Cleveland Press" building. [redacted] expect to be in Cleveland for the picket demonstration and may possibly bring Klansmen from southern Ohio.

[redacted] noted that members of the WCCO and the North American Alliance of White People (NAAWP), formerly known as the National Association for the Advancement of White People, were also expected to join the picket demonstration. In this respect, source noted that ROBERT ANNABLE, President of the NAAWP, is running for the office of Ohio State Representative in the 51st House District (Parma and Parma Heights, Ohio) in the May 3, 1966 primaries, and he and his organization will be passing out political handbills in Parma and Parma Heights, Ohio, early the same day. ANNABLE then expects to lead a motorcade from Parma, Ohio, to downtown Cleveland, arriving in time to join the picketing of "The Cleveland Press".

[redacted] on April 25, 1966, expressed a desire to be in Cleveland early enough on April 30, 1966, to join ANNABLE in the motorcade ride to downtown Cleveland; however, he felt he might not be able to arrive in Cleveland in time to do so. A few members of the NKKKK are expected to assist ANNABLE in passing out the political handbills, although, this will only be to assist in the manpower requirements and not as members of the Klan.

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[] noted the picket demonstration of "The Cleveland Press" is because of this newspaper's critical stand against the Klan and their refusal to print a paid political advertisement for ROBERT ANNABLE.

[] stated the picketing will be peaceful and no violence is anticipated.

[] Bureau of Special Investigation, Cleveland, Ohio Police Department, was apprised of the above on April 27, 1966, and advised that police coverage would be afforded the demonstration to insure against any possible violence.

[] on [] advised that about twenty individuals, seventeen adults and three children, peacefully picketed "The Cleveland Press" Building, Cleveland, Ohio, on Saturday, April 30, 1966, from approximately 4:15 P.M. until 5:30 P.M. The majority of individuals present were members of the NKKKK and they were joined by ROBERT W. ANNABLE, President of the North American Alliance of White People (NAAWP), formerly known as the National Association for the Advancement of White People, and a small group of NAAWP members. Four of the Klansmen wore Klan robes.

[] noted that the picket demonstration of "The Cleveland Press" a daily newspaper published at Cleveland, Ohio, was held because of this newspaper's critical stand against the Klan and their refusal to print a paid political advertisement for ROBERT W. ANNABLE, who is running for the Office of Ohio State Representative in the May 3, 1966 primary election.

During the course of the picket demonstration copies of ROBERT W. ANNABLE's political advertisement entitled, "Lincoln Opposed Integration" were passed out to individuals walking past the area.

[] concluded that the picket demonstration was entirely peaceful and no incidents or arrests occurred.

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NKKKK Anniversary Rally
Oregonia, Ohio
July 2-4, 1966

[redacted] on [redacted] informed that at least 11 members from Klaverns #6 and #7 attended the NKKKK Anniversary Rally held on the farm of [redacted] July 2, 3 and 4, 1966, at Oregonia, Ohio.

NKKKK Rally
July 16 and 17, 1966
Near Lodi, Ohio

MEMBER OF SUBJECT ORGANIZATION

[redacted] advised that the NKKKK will hold a rally near Lodi, Ohio, on July 16 and 17, 1966, at the farm of [redacted] [redacted] is a member of the NKKKK and his farm is located on County Route #90, about one and one-half miles west of State Route #76, which is about two miles south of Lodi. The property was leased for \$10.00 to the NKKKK for the express purpose of holding a Klan Rally.

[redacted] Ohio [redacted] of the NKKKK, will handle the Press releases for the rally. At the suggestion of [redacted] mimeograph announcements of the rally will be passed out sometime during this week at Cleveland, Akron, Lodi, Medina and Mansfield, Ohio, by members of the NKKKK residing in the vicinity of these municipalities.

[redacted] Medina County, Medina, Ohio, was advised of the above on July 11, 1966. He advised that as in the past adequate arrangements will be made to prevent any violence at the rally.

On July 16, 1966, [redacted] Medina County Sheriff's Office, Medina, Ohio, advised that the National Knights of the Ku Klux Klan (NKKKK) held their rally as scheduled that day on the property of [redacted] in Medina County.

He said that a few people arrived at the site at about 11:00 AM and that when the rally ended that night at about 11:45 P.M., approximately 100 people had been there. However, he indicated that he did not believe that all in attendance were Klansmen and that there were many spectators there, out of curiosity. He said that at about 11:30 P.M. the Klansmen burned three crosses prior to dismissing.

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On July 17, 1966, Sheriff STUART advised that the rally had continued that day, however, he estimated that only about 25 or 30 persons attended. He said the rally ended that night at about 9:00 P.M. and that no crosses were burned.

Sheriff STUART advised that he had previously received rumors that Klansmen at the rally might wear masks in an attempt to test the Ohio State Law banning the wearing of masks, however, he said that at no time did he receive any reports of Klansmen wearing masks. He said that at about the same time, the crosses were lighted on July 16, 1966, there was a loud noise originating from the rally site. He said that in his opinion, this noise was that of a firecracker and that the same noise was also heard again at the same site at about 12:30 P.M. on July 17, 1966.

At about 8:00 P.M. on July 17, 1966, Sheriff STUART advised his office received reports that some Klansmen were driving up and down the roads adjacent to the rally site, and that upon investigation, they determined that there were two cars and one pickup truck with a total of about eight Klansmen in them. He said that in the back of the pickup truck was a female wearing a Klansmen's robe and also a dummy in a Klansmen's robe. He said that the dummy also was wearing a robe and that from a distance, the dummy appeared to be a person.

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Sheriff STUART further advised that there were no anti-Klan demonstrators at the rally and that there were no arrests or acts of violence.

[redacted] on [redacted] advised that JAMES VENABLE, National Chairman of the NKKKK, presided over the rally on July 16, 1966, and July 17, 1966.

[redacted] on [redacted] advised that this rally was considered a "flop".

NKKKK Rally
July 23 and 24, 1966
Near Lodi, Ohio

[redacted] on [redacted] advised that a NKKKK Rally would be held Saturday and Sunday, July 23 and 24, 1966, on the farm of [redacted] is a member of the NKKKK and

his farm is located on County Road #90, about 1½ miles west of State Route #76, which is about two miles south of Lodi, Ohio. JAMES R. VENABLE, Imperial Wizard of the NKKKK and Reverend H.G. HILL, Kludd of the NKKKK, are expected to be the principal speakers.

OF SUBJECT ORGANIZATION

NORMAN J. STUART, Sheriff, Medina County, Medina, Ohio, was advised of the above on July 20, 1966, and he advised that adequate arrangements will be made to prevent any violence at the rally.

Sheriff NORMAN STUART, Medina County Sheriff's Office, Medina, Ohio, advised on July 23, 1966, that the Klan rally held by [redacted] on the property of [redacted] in Medina County began that afternoon and ended that night at about 11:20 P.M., following the burning of a cross. Sheriff STUART said that during the lighting of the cross, 31 persons were observed to be present, 13 of which had their right hands clasped over their hearts and their left hands extended forward at a 45 degree angle in Nazi-like fashion. He said that [redacted] NKKKK member from Lodi, Ohio, spoke at the rally. He said [redacted] used a loud speaker system for his speech but that later the loud speaker system was turned off and at that time it was announced that during the weekend of July 30 - 31, 1966, they were planning three separate rallies on different sites in Medina County.

Sheriff STUART said that this rally continued on July 24, 1966, and terminated that evening. He said that there were no anti-Klan demonstrators, acts of violence, or arrests.

On [redacted] advised that JAMES VENABLE, National Chairman of the NKKKK, did not attend the above rally but that he is scheduled to appear at rallies in Medina County planned for the weekend of July 30 - 31, 1966.

[redacted] on [redacted] informed that [redacted] and JAMES R. VENABLE were not asked to come to this rally as it was felt it would be a financial flop and that they do not want to bear the expense of bringing these two individuals to the rally. However, it was announced to those in attendance at the rally that VENABLE and [redacted] could not come as scheduled because of the current airline strike.

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Three (3) Separate NKKKK Rallies
Scheduled to be held on July 30 and 31, 1966
in Medina County, Ohio

[redacted] on [redacted] informed that the NKKKK will hold three separate rallies in Medina County, Ohio, on July 30 and 31, 1966, at the following locations:

Rally #1

Farm on [redacted]

[redacted]

Rally #2

Property of [redacted] located on State
Route [redacted]

[redacted]

Rally #3

On or near U.S. Route #42, north of Brunswick, Ohio and south of Strongsville, Ohio (Cuyahoga County) and described as "just across the line in Medina County."

[redacted] advised that according to [redacted] Ohio Organizer of the NKKKK, the purpose of holding three separate rallies within Medina County will be to harass Medina County Sheriff NORMAN J. STUART and his staff for the strict measures Sheriff STUART has been imposing on recent NKKKK rallies held in Medina County, which [redacted] believes is the reason for the poor attendance at these recent rallies.

[redacted] further advised that [redacted] plans to have JAMES R. VENABLE, Imperial Wizard of the NKKKK; [redacted] of the NKKKK; and [redacted] another [redacted] of the NKKKK, all from the national organization of the NKKKK in the Atlanta, Georgia area, appear to these rallies as the principal speakers. [redacted] plans to shuttle these three speakers between the three rallies.

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Handbills announcing the rallies will be passed out by the Klansmen in downtown Cleveland, Akron, Medina and Lodi, Ohio, and press releases will be made by [redacted]

NORMAN J. STUART, Sheriff, Medina County, Medina, Ohio, was advised of the above on July 26, 1966. He advised that adequate arrangements will be made to prevent any violence at these rallies.

[redacted] on [redacted] informed that NKKKK rallies at Sites #2 and #3 were consolidated into the rally at Site #1 on Saturday, July 30, 1966, because of poor attendance and the fact that little preparation was made at Sites #2 and #3. JAMES R. VENABLE gave a speech on July 30, 1966, at Site #1 during the late evening and then returned to Georgia. [redacted] did not come to this rally. A large wooden cross was burned at approximately 11:30 P.M. on July 30, 1966.

[redacted] further advised that on [redacted] there were so few people at Site #1 that the rally was not held on that date and the rally equipment was dismantled starting at about 3:00 P.M.

Sheriff NORMAN J. STUART, on July 30, and again on July 31, 1966, advised that no incidents, acts of violence or arrests took place as a result of these rallies.

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IV. FINANCES

[redacted] on [redacted] informed that [redacted] of Klavern #6, advised on June 14, 1966, that he, [redacted] and [redacted] of Klavern #6, had recently withdrawn the funds of Klavern #6 from the Klavern's bank account maintained at the Cleveland Trust Bank, Cleveland, Ohio, under the name Sportsmen's Educational Fund, and the proceeds, \$185.12, were sent to Imperial Wizard JAMES R. VENABLE of the National Organization of the NKKKK by bank money order #34003828. The bank check was made payable to VENABLE and the amount sent to him was the entire amount in this account at the time it was closed by [redacted]

[redacted] advised that [redacted] could legally withdraw these funds by virtue of their past offices with Klavern #6; however, they did not have the sanction from Klavern #6 to do so and it was felt that they did this because of Klavern #6's dissatisfaction with [redacted]

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[] on [] informed that VENABLE was contacted relative to this matter and he advised that one-half of the \$185.12 would be returned to Klavern #6.

[] noted that just prior to the above transaction, Klavern #6 had ~~planned~~ to close their account under the name of the Sportsmen's Educational Fund and open another account under the name SWL Radio Club.

[] on [] informed that Klavern #6 takes up collections at its meetings from time to time for the Dillsboro Defense Fund for the forthcoming trial of NKKKK members arrested in Dillsboro, Indiana, in connection with a NKKKK rally at Dillsboro in 1965.

V. PUBLICATIONS AND PROPOGANDA

[] on [] and [] on [] informed that the NKKKK in the Northern Ohio area has no publications and has put out no propoganda other than announcements of its rallies in the form of handbills and letters as well as press releases, which have appeared in various news medias.

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VI. MISCELLANEOUS

A. Cooperation with other Organizations

NCCS Picketing of "The Book Mart"
June 18, 1966
Cleveland, Ohio

The National Christian Conservative Society (NCCS) is characterized under the section dealing with the NCCS sponsored speech of JAMES R. VENABLE, May 7, 1966.

[] on [] informed that "The Book Mart" 10011 Euclid Avenue, Cleveland, Ohio, was picketed on June 18, 1966, under sponsorship of the NCCS.

A characterization of "The Book Mart" appears in the appendix of this report.

[] informed that about 17 individuals participated in this picketing and at least 10 were members of the NKKKK. The pickets carried signs which read "Communism is Treason - Close the Communist Book Store".

NCCS Picketing of Union Election
Fisher Body Division
General Motors Corporation
Cleveland, Ohio
June 22, 1966

[] on [] informed that on the same date, the Coit Road Plant of the Fisher Body Division, General Motors Corporation, Cleveland, was picketed by seven individuals under sponsorship of the NCCS. [] identified four of the pickets as members of the NKKKK. These pickets stationed themselves at the main entrance to the plant and passed out circulars protesting the candidacy of [] who was running for the Office of Zone Committee Man, Second Shift, Local #45, of the United Auto Workers at the Coit Road Plant, Fisher Body Division. The circulars that were passed out reflected an affidavit purportedly signed by [] on April 29, 1942, attesting to the fact that he, [] was a member of the Communist Party.

[] - JOHN VICTOR BLANC (deceased), a self-admitted former member of the Communist Party (CP), who has testified on behalf of the Government, advised on a number of occasions during the period 1944 to 1949, when BLANC ceased to be active in the CP, that he knew [] to be a CP member and to have attended and taken part in numerous CP affairs in Cleveland from 1944 to 1949. In 1945, [] was a member of the State Executive Committee of the Ohio CP and in July, 1948, he was elected to the Ohio CP State Committee.

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[redacted] a self-admitted former member of the CP, who testified on behalf of the Government, advised on August 22, 1953, that he recalled [redacted] attending Ohio State CP meetings prior to July, 1950, and [redacted] also determined CP policy in the union at Fisher Body, Cleveland, Ohio, prior to July, 1950.

NCCS Sponsored Speech by
JAMES R. VENABLE
May 7, 1966
Lakewood, Ohio

[redacted] on [redacted] informed that JAMES R. VENABLE, Imperial Wizard of the NKKKK from Tucker, Georgia, will speak at the Lakewood Civic Auditorium, Lakewood, Ohio, during the evening of May 7, 1966. He is being sponsored by the National Christian Conservative Society (NCCS).

[redacted] noted that the National Christian Conservative Society was founded by [redacted] who utilizes the title of Chairman. [redacted] is also the [redacted] the North American Alliance of White People (NAAWP) which was formerly known as the National Association for the Advancement of White People. [redacted] originally conceived the idea of the NCCS during October, 1965, as a vehicle to circumvent the new Ohio Fair Housing Law which precludes discrimination against the Negro race in housing matters. The NCCS was not a success in its original intent and is now utilized by ANNABLE to give him cover from his association with the NAAWP.

[redacted] noted that [redacted] a [redacted] will also be a featured speaker. [redacted] in the Archbishop of the African Universal Church and Commercial League Corporation of East Orange, New Jersey.

[redacted] Lakewood Police Department, on April 27, 1966, advised that in view of the above, the Lakewood Police Department expects to maintain a small plain-clothes detail within the auditorium during the affair and three patrolmen outside the auditorium to insure that ingress and egress will be orderly and to preclude any incidents. In addition, there will be a reserve squad at police headquarters in case of actual violence.

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On [] informed that VENABLE's speech at the Lakewood Civic Auditorium on the night of May 7, 1966, outlined the history of the Ku Klux Klan and VENABLE appealed for Klan membership as well as moral and financial support. VENABLE stated that the battle of the Ku Klux Klan was against mongrelization and communism and further that it was not true that the Klan was against Catholics, Jews or Negroes.

[] in his speech, advocated racial segregation and asked white people to stop "flattering" the Negroes because there is a difference between the races.

[] noted that at least 25 members of the NKKKK attended VENABLE's speech.

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B. Statements and Acts Leaning Toward Violence

Cross Burning at Negroe's Farm,
July 11, 1966
Near Lodi, Ohio

[] on [] informed that at about 12:15 A.M., July 11, 1966, three members of the NKKKK burned a twenty foot high wooden cross near the farm house of a farm recently purchased by a Negro couple. This farm is located outside of Lodi, Ohio, Medina County, U.S. Route #42, just north of U.S. Route #224. [] did not know the name of the Negro couple.

Transportation of Firearms MEMBER OF SUBJECT ORGANIZATION

[] on [] informed that on May 16, 1966, he learned that the NKKKK is still considering the use of a green and white camping trailer owned by NKKKK member [] as a method to transport firearms to Klan rallies. This is the same trailer that was seen at Klan rallies at Lodi and Brunswick Hills Township, Ohio, during the Summer of 1965. It was planned that a few firearms would be hidden in obvious places to be purposely found by law enforcement officials, however, the bulk of the firearms would be well hidden under the bunks in the trailer. It was noted that firearms had been successfully transported to Klan rallies in this manner.

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[] on [] informed that the aforementioned trailer has not been seen at any NKKKK rallies that have taken place in Ohio during 1966. In addition, []

noted that he has not seen [redacted] who is from the Cincinnati, Ohio area, at any of the recent rallies and felt this was the reason that the trailer has not made its appearance at any of these rallies.

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C. Possible Merger of Klans

[redacted] advised on [redacted] that JAMES R. VENABLE, Imperial Wizard of the NKKKK, on July 16, 1966, informed that it is very likely that the UKA and NKKKK and possibly one of the other major Klans would merge into one strong Klan in the near future. VENABLE noted that the UKA and NKKKK are already in the process of merging in Delaware, Maryland, and one other state [redacted] could not recall.

D. Organizing of UKA in Ohio
and Effect on NKKKK

Organization of UKA in Ohio

[redacted] on [redacted] informed that [redacted] was [redacted] of Klavern #7, Akron, Ohio, until early 1966 when it became apparent that he was having difficulty in running Klavern #7, based in part, on his differences with [redacted]

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During April, 1966, [redacted] announced a Klan rally to be held in Edinburg, Ohio during April, 1966, but this rally was cancelled. [redacted] subsequently did hold Klan rallies at Edinburg, Ohio; one each in May, June and July, 1966. These rallies were not considered successful and NKKKK members were told that they were not to attend any of [redacted] rallies. [redacted] originally identified these rallies only as "Klan Rallies" and did not make any indication as to their affiliation with any particular National Klan Organization, although it was subsequently learned that he was affiliating with the UKA.

[redacted] on [redacted] informed that [redacted] of Klavern #7 and a local organizer for the NKKKK, had been ostracized and the members of Klavern #7 were advised not to associate with [redacted] or to attend any of his rallies.

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[] on [] informed that [] has affiliated with the UKA and the purpose of his rallies was to recruit members for the UKA.

"The Akron-Beacon Journal" a daily newspaper published in Akron, Ohio, on May 29, 1966, carried an interview of HOWARD C. LEWIS in connection with Klan rallies he expected to hold in Edinburg, Ohio. This article states that HOWARD C. LEWIS noted that his group plans to merge with Mr. ROBERT SHELTON's group soon.

In respect to the above, it is noted that [] is the [] of the UKA.

Loss of NKKKK Membership to the UKA

[] on [] informed that [] of the UKA, met with about 20 to 25 individuals at the Downtowner Motel, Cleveland, Ohio, on May 30, 1966. [] was in the Cleveland, Ohio area to give a speech which was sponsored by the NCCS.

[] noted that most of the individuals in attendance at this conference with [] were persons he recognized as being members connected with the NKKKK and/or NCCS and further that 10 of these individuals were members of Klavern #6.

[] spoke of the Klan movement and answered questions. He prefaced his remarks by stating that he was not in Ohio to take members away from any other Klan organization but anyone wanting to join the UKA could do so. It was also brought out at this conference that the Klan rallies recently held by [] in Edinburg, Ohio, were to sign up members for the UKA.

[] noted that while at this conference with [] six members of the NKKKK mentioned that they were leaving the NKKKK and were going over to the UKA.

[] also noted that he learned that [] held private conferences with NKKKK members and [] told one NKKKK member, "We're ready to start pushing in Ohio to organize the UKA here."

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[] on [] advised that at a NKKKK Klavern #6 meeting held June 2, 1966, it was decided to inform JAMES R. VENABLE of the dissension within Klavern #6 because of the Klavern's dissatisfaction with [] and the possibility that some of the members of Klavern #6 would go over to the UKA if nothing is done about []

[] on [] informed that two NKKKK members advised him on June 18, 1966, that they are going over to the UKA and would not be at the next Klavern #6 meeting.

[] on [] informed that these two Klansmen were not present at the Klavern #6 meeting held June 19, 1966.

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WHITE CITIZENS COUNCIL
OF OHIO

Records of the Office of the Secretary of State, State of Ohio, were checked on November 24, 1964, and contained the following information:

The White Citizens Council of Ohio was incorporated October 1, 1964, and carries incorporation number 333991. The articles of incorporation were filed by [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] The place of incorporation is listed as Cuyahoga County, Cleveland, Ohio. The purpose of the corporation is stated as follows:

"To preserve the Constitutional rights and guarantees for the white people as set forth in the Constitution of the U.S. of America and the Constitution of the State of Ohio."

Three persons were named as trustees for the corporation:



Address stated above

[REDACTED] was appointed statutory agent for the corporation. The principal place of business or office for the purpose of serving notice or demand on the corporation was the same address as listed for [REDACTED]

The incorporation documents bear signatures purporting to be those of the aforementioned persons.

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THE BOOK MARK

A source advised on April 29, 1966, that The Book Mark, located at 10011 Euclid Avenue, Cleveland, Ohio, is controlled, financed, and directed completely by the Ohio Communist Party. It was opened for business in January, 1966. by [redacted] who [redacted] it under [redacted]. [redacted] She is a member of the Communist Party (CP) Youth Club in Cleveland, and is the [redacted] [redacted] of the Communist Party in Ohio and a member of the National Committee of the CPUSA.

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APPENDIX



UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE
FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

Cleveland, Ohio
August 8, 1966

In Reply, Please Refer to
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Character	RACIAL MATTERS - KLAN
Reference	Report of SA [REDACTED] dated and captioned as above at Cleveland, Ohio.

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NKKKK RALLY HELD AS SCHEDULED EIGHT SIX LAST ON PROPERTY
OF [REDACTED] IN MEDINA COUNTY, OHIO. JAMES VENABLE
DID NOT APPEAR. [REDACTED] KLUDD, NKKKK, WAS PRESENT.
ABOUT ONE HUNDRED PERSONS ATTENDED AND RALLY ENDED ABOUT
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[redacted] who has furnished reliable information in the past concerning Klan matters, on 8/8/66 advised that while at the NKKKK rally held 8/7/66 near Lodi, Ohio, [redacted] of the NKKKK, mentioned he might go to Chicago this weekend (8/13,14/66) to seek rally sites. Later on in day [redacted] mentioned that he and [redacted] a member of NKKKK Klavern #7, Akron, Ohio, may go to Hopewell, Va., where the Klan had recently confronted a group of Negro civil rights marchers who had made demands at the Hopewell City Hall. [redacted] mentioned that there would be similar activity in Hopewell this weekend (8/13,14/66) and he and [redacted] might just go there.

[redacted] noted that none of [redacted] plans for the coming weekend are definite, although he believes [redacted] is serious about holding a rally sometime in the future in the Chicago area. In this respect, [redacted] solicited [redacted]

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2--Richmond
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knowledge of the Chicago area and [] volunteered he

[] advised that he volunteered this information to [] so as to be in a position to go with [] to Chicago in the event [] does make positive steps to hold a rally in the Chicago rally.

UACB, [] will be permitted to go to the Chicago area should he be called upon to help lay the groundwork for a rally site in that area. It is believed his authorized expenses would cover such a trip.

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The above is being furnished to the Chicago and Richmond Offices for its intelligence value only as it is obvious that [] cannot be in two places at one time.

The Chicago, Cincinnati and Richmond Offices will subsequently be furnished copies of informant's reports bearing on this matter.

The Cleveland Office will keep abreast of any developments regarding this matter and promptly inform interested offices in the event further information is developed.

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Date: 8/8/66

Transmit the following in _____
(Type in plaintext or code)Via AIRTEL _____
(Priority)

TO: Director, FBI (157-168)
 FROM: SAC, CLEVELAND (100-10261)
 RE: NATIONAL KNIGHTS OF THE
KU KLUX KLAN, INC.
RACIAL MATTER - KLAN
 OO: ATLANTA

ALL INFORMATION CONTAINED
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 DATE 8-23-88 BY SP8 BTJ/STP

Re Cleveland airtel to Bureau, 8/1/66, and
 Cleveland teletypes to Bureau, 8/7/66.

Enclosed herewith for the Bureau are eight (8)
 copies of a LHM. Two (2) copies each of this LHM are also
 being furnished for the information of Atlanta and
 Cincinnati.

Copies of this LHM are also being furnished
 locally to the USA, Secret Service and military intelligence
 agencies.

The [redacted] confidential source referred to in LHM
 is [redacted] Promotion Department, Akron Beacon
 Journal, Akron, Ohio, who requested that his identity be
 concealed.

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The [redacted] confidential source referred to in
 LHM is identified as [redacted]

- 3 - Bureau (Enc. 8) (RM)
- 2 - Atlanta (157-60) (Enc. 2) (RM)
- 2 - Cincinnati (157-245) (Enc. 2) (RM)
- 2 - Cleveland

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(9) AGENCY: [redacted] ONI, OSI, SEC SER

LEPT ASD: CRD

DATE FORW: 8-11-66

HOW FORW: [redacted]

BY: [redacted]

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UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE
FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

Cleveland, Ohio
August 8, 1966

In Reply, Please Refer to
File No. 100-10261

NATIONAL KNIGHTS OF THE
KU KLUX KLAN, INC.

A characterization of the National Knights of the Ku Klux Klan, Inc. (NKKKK) appears in the Appendix attached hereto.

NKKKK Rally August 6 and 7, 1966
Medina County, Ohio

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A confidential source, who has cooperated with this office on numerous occasions in the past, advised on [redacted] that a full page advertisement announcing an NKKKK rally scheduled for August 6, 1966 and August 7, 1966 in Medina County, Ohio, appeared in the August 4, 1966 edition of the Akron Beacon Journal, an Akron, Ohio daily newspaper. He said that this advertisement contained the "Klansmen's Creed," an application for membership in the NKKKK, a request for donations to be sent to NKKKK, Post Office Box 175, Oregonia, Ohio, an open letter announcing that JAMES B. VENABLE, NKKKK Imperial Wizard, would be there and inviting the public to attend the rally. The letter, he said, was signed [redacted] NKKKK Association of America. This source advised that the ad was purchased by [redacted].

[redacted] He said the cost of the ad was \$809.00, but inasmuch as [redacted] paid cash for it he got a 2 per cent discount. According to this source, [redacted] appeared at the Akron Beacon Journal three different times before an agreement was reached regarding the ad. He said that [redacted] was reluctant to have his name placed in the ad but that the newspaper would not agree to print it unless his name was placed in it.

A [redacted] confidential source, who has furnished reliable information in the past, advised on August 6, 1966 that an NKKKK rally was held on the property of [redacted] near Lodi, Ohio, in Medina County that day. He said that Imperial Wizard VENABLE did not appear at the rally and that the [redacted] NKKKK Kludd, was the principal speaker. He estimated the attendance at about 100 and said

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about 25 or 30 individuals wore Klan robes. He further advised that the proceedings were orderly and ended about 11:00 p.m. with the burning of a cross.

An article in the August 7, 1966 edition of the Akron Beacon Journal estimated attendance at the rally on August 6, 1966 at about 150 persons.

Medina County Sheriff's Office, Medina, Ohio, advised on August 8, 1966 that his office had estimated attendance at the rally on August 6, 1966 at about 200 and the attendance on August 7, 1966 at about 30. He said a collection was taken at the rally on August 6, 1966 to pay for an ad which appeared in the Akron Beacon Journal on August 4, 1966. A cross was burned at the end of the rally the evening of August 6, 1966, he said, but no cross was burned on August 7, 1966. He further advised that the rally terminated at about 6:30 p.m. on August 7, 1966, and that there were no incidents, arrests or acts of violence either day of the rally.

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Date: 8/12/66

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TO : DIRECTOR, FBI (157-168)

FROM : SAC, CHICAGO (167-895) (P)SUBJECT: NATIONAL KNIGHTS OF THE KU KLUX KLAN, INC.
RM - KLAN

OO: ATLANTA

ALL INFORMATION CONTAINED
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DATE 8-23-88 BY SP-10/10/88
*Hery*Re Cleveland airtel to Bureau dated 8/9/66,
and Atlanta teletype to Chicago 8/11/66, both captioned as
above.

The "Chicago Tribune", 8/11/66, morning edition, carried an article relating that the Chicago Park District had denied a request by the captioned group to use Soldier Field for a klan rally 8/13/66. The "Tribune" quoted ERWIN K. WEINER, Park Superintendent, Chicago, as stating that there was "absolutely no basis" for a statement by PARKIE SCOTT, an Oregonia, Ohio klan official, that park district officials stated the klan has as much right as civil rights groups to use the field.

Youth Intelligence Division, Chicago PD, advised that his office had no information relative to such rally other than the newspaper article.

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AT OREGONIA, OHIO. Will attempt to ascertain through established sources any additional information relative to planned rallies in Chicago's Soldier Field or other areas.

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- 3 - Bureau
 - 2 - Cincinnati (157-245)
 - 2 - Cleveland (100-10261)
 - 2 - Atlanta (157-605)
 - 1 - Chicago

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AT CLEVELAND, OHIO. Will advise Chicago of any additional developments relative to possible klan rallies in Chicago as referred to in referenced airtel.

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AT ATLANTA, GEORGIA. Will keep Chicago advised of any plans by captioned group to use Soldier Field or the field adjacent thereto for klan rally as related in referenced teletype.

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Date: 8/11/66

Transmit the following in _____
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TO DIRECTOR, FBI (157-168)
 FROM SAC, CINCINNATI (157-245) (P)
 SUBJECT: National Knights of Ku Klux Klan
 NKKKK, INC.
 RM - KLAN
 (OO: ATLANTA)

ALL INFORMATION CONTAINED
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 DATE 8-23-88 BY: [redacted]

Today, [redacted] (Prob.) advised as follows:

[redacted] captioned Klan organizer in Ohio, and a [redacted] from Akron, Ohio, plan on travelling, probably by automobile, to Chicago, Illinois this weekend, 8/13 - 14/66, to discuss holding a Klan rally at Soldier's Field, Chicago, over weekend of 8/20 - 21/66. It is not currently known who [redacted] and [redacted] will discuss this matter with; however if facilities of Soldier's Field is not offered to them, they will probably attempt to locate another facility nearby to hold a rally during weekend of 8/20 - 21/66.

[redacted] (Prob) plans on travelling to Chicago with [redacted] and will advise the outcome of this weekend's discussion upon his return to Cincinnati.

If receiving Offices of this communication have any additional pertinent information available concerning a rally at Soldier's Field, Chicago, it is requested that they furnish this information to interested Offices.

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 2 - Atlanta (157-60) (RM)
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Date: 8/15/66

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TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (157-168)
SAC, ATLANTA (157-60)

FROM: SAC, CINCINNATI (157-245) (P)
NATIONAL KNIGHTS OF THE
SUBJECT: NKKKK KU KLUX KLAN
RM-KLAN

OO: ATLANTA

Today [] (PROB) telephonically advised as follows:

He traveled to Chicago, Illinois, with [] Ohio Klan Organizer, on 8/13/66 and returned to Cincinnati on 8/14/66. The purpose of the trip was to set up a Klan rally at Soldier's Field in Chicago over weekend of 8/20-21/66. Informant could not identify the individuals who [] talked with for the purpose of setting up the rally, however, as of now the rally is scheduled to take place either at Soldier's Field or nearby vicinity.

[] requested informant to travel to Chicago and spend days this week to assist in setting up plans for the rally. Informant is on vacation from his place of employment this whole week. Informant is willing to travel

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to Chicago and obtain all possible information in connection with this rally.

The Bureau is requested to authorize up to \$100 expense money for informant in connection with this rally. If the \$100 expense money is approved, an itemized expense account will be obtained from informant and all pertinent information immediately furnished interested offices.

Information copy furnished to Cleveland in view of their interest in this matter.

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AT TUCKER, GEORGIA

Contact sources for any information concerning the Chicago scheduled rally.

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FBI CHICAGO

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TO DIRECTOR (157-168)

FROM CHICAGO (157-895) 1P

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NATIONAL KNIGHTS OF THE KU KLUX KLAN, INC. RM-KLAN

RE ATLANTA RADIOGRAM AND CHICAGO AIRTEL EIGHT TWELVE LAST,
CINCINNATI AIRTEL EIGHT FIFTEEN LAST AND CHICAGO TEL EIGHT EIGHTEEN
INSTANT.

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RALLY BY CAPTIONED GROUP ON OR ABOUT EIGHT TWENTY IN CG FURNISHED
TO INTELLIGENCE UNIT, CG PD. CG PD FOLLOWING AND WILL ADVISE CG
FBI OF ANY SUBSEQUENT INFORMATION RECIEVED. BUREAU WILL BE ADVISED.

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TO DIRECTOR AND CHICAGO

FROM ATLANTA 191817

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RE CHICAGO AIRTEL TO BUREAU AUGUST 12 LAST.

CONFIDENTIAL SOURCE [REDACTED] ADVISED THIS DATE JAMES

R. VENABLE, IMPERIAL WIZARD, WILL NOT PARTICIPATE IN ANY KLAN
 DEMONSTRATION AT CHICAGO OVER FORTHCOMING WEEKEND. VENABLE HAS
 TOLD OHIO MEMBERS OF NKKKK THAT THEY SHOULD DISCONTINUE EFFORTS
 TO CONDUCT RALLY AT CHICAGO BECAUSE SOURCE BELIEVES THE OHIO
 MEMBERS WILL PERSIST IN EFFORTS TO HOLD RALLY AT OR NEAR
 SOLDIERS FIELD TOMORROW.

ANY FURTHER INFO DEVELOPED WILL BE FURNISHED CHICAGO
 AND BUREAU. P.

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UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE
FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

In Reply, Please Refer to
File No.

Cincinnati, Ohio
August 11, 1966

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DATE 8-23-88 BY SP847/pt

RE: NATIONAL KNIGHTS OF THE KU KLUX
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Attached to this letterhead memorandum is a newspaper article contained on page 16 of the "Journal Herald", a Dayton, Ohio daily morning newspaper, issue of August 10, 1966. This article contains information regarding the Ku Klux Klan from Parkie A. Scott, who is described as the national organizer for the Knights of the Ku Klux Klan.

There is attached a characterization of the National Knights of the Ku Klux Klan.

Parkie A. Scott

157-168-702
ENCLOSURE

KKK Will Ask King's Arrest

King Is Termed Murderer For Part In Riots

By Martha Edmiston
Journal Herald Staff Writer

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Via AIRTEL _____

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To: Director, FBI

ATTENTION:

☐ CIVIL RIGHTS SECTION

From: SAC, CINCINNATI (157-245)

GENERAL INVEST. DIV.

☒ DOMESTIC INTELLIGENCE DIV.

Subject: NATIONAL KNIGHTS OF THE KU

~~KLUX KLAN~~

RM - ORGANIZATION

☐ CR ☐ EL ☐ VRA-65 ☐ CRA-64☐ PA ☐ PE ☐ PF☐ BM ☐ BM-Threats ☒ Racial Matters☒ Klan ☐ Organization

Summary of Complaint:

Enclosed for the Bureau are ten copies of an LHM setting forth a newspaper article in the Dayton, Ohio "Journal Herald" a daily morning newspaper. This concerns a charge by PARKIE SCOTT, who describes himself as national organizer for the Knights of the Ku Klux Klan, concerning the arrest of MARTIN LUTHER KING for aiding in a murder plot.

Enclosed for Chicago are two copies of the LHM for their information, and for Atlanta is one copy of LHM for information, since they are office or origin in instant matter.

No investigation is necessary based upon the

ACTION: UACB:

☐ No further action being taken and3-Bureau (RM) ☒ LHM enclosed ☒ Copy furnished to USA Cincinnati

(Enc. 10) LHM being submitted

2-Chicago (RM) ☐ Report being submitted

(Enc. 2) Preliminary investigation instituted

1-Atlanta (RM) ☐ Limited investigation instituted

AGENCY: AGO, ONI, OSI, SPS, SEP

(Enc. 1) Cincinnati (1-157-245) (1-157-504)

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information in the newspaper article. Therefore, no leads are being set out.

Copies of the LHM are being disseminated locally to the U. S. Secret Service, 109th INTC Group, and USA, all Cincinnati.

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5:07 PM EST URGENT 8-12-66 MRB

TO DIRECTOR (157168) AND CHICAGO (157895)

FROM ATLANTA 122120

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 DATE 8-23-88 BY SP2

NATIONAL KNIGHTS OF THE KU KLUX KLAN, INC., RM-K

REATEL TO CHICAGO AUGUST 11 LAST.

CONFIDENTIAL SOURCE [] ADVISED ON [] LAST

THAT JAMES R. VENABLE, IMPERIAL WIZARD, NATIONAL KNIGHTS OF THE
 KU KLUX KLAN, RECEIVED INFORMATION THAT [] OHIO
 ORGANIZER, NKKKK, DESIRES FACILITIES AT SOLDIERS FIELD, CHICAGO
 AUGUST 13 NEXT, FOR KLAN RALLY IN OPPOSITION TO MARTIN LUTHER
 KING'S MOVEMENT. SOURCE STATED THIS DATE THAT VENABLE'S
 INFORMATION WAS NOT CORRECT AND [] IS ATTEMPTING TO OBTAIN
 FACILITIES AT SOLDIERS FIELD FOR AUGUST 20 NEXT FOR SAME PURPOSE.
 SOURCE STATED THAT [] HAS INDICATED IF HE CANNOT USE SOLDIERS
 FIELD, HE WILL UTILIZE A FIELD DESCRIBED AS BEING ADJACENT TO
 SOLDIERS FIELD.

ACCORDING TO SOURCE, VENABLE TOLD [] ON []

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PAGE TWO FROM ATLANTA 122120

HE SHOULD NOT PURSUE THESE PLANS FURTHER AND SHOULD DISCONTINUE EFFORTS FOR A CHICAGO RALLY.

BUREAU AND CHICAGO WILL BE KEPT ADVISED OF DEVELOPMENTS. |

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TO DIRECTOR (157-168) AND CINCINNATI (157-60)

FROM CHICAGO (157-895) 2P

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OO: ATLANTA

RE CINCINNATI AIRTEL TO DIRECTOR AND ATLANTA AUGUST
FIFTEEN LAST.

[REDACTED] INTELLIGENCE SECTION, CHICAGO
(PROTECT REQUESTED) ADVISED AUGUST SEVENTEEN LAST HIS
SECTION HAD NO INFORMATION RELATIVE TO RALLY BY CAPTIONED
GROUP AUGUST TWENTYONE-TWENTYTWO NEXT AT SOLDIER FIELD
NEARBY VICINITY.

[REDACTED] SPECIAL SERVICES, SOLDIER
FIELD ADVISED MET AT CHICAGO JULY TWENTYONE LAST WITH [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] AND [REDACTED] OHIO KLAN OFFICIALS.
THEIR REQUEST FOR KLAN RALLY AUGUST THIRTEEN LAST AT
SOLDIER FIELD DENIED BY [REDACTED] LINKER IN LETTER TO JAMES VENABLE,
IMPERIAL WIZARD, NKKKK, DATED JULY TWENTYSEVEN LAST, "AS NOT
IN PUBLIC INTEREST". HAS RECEIVED NO ADDITIONAL REQUESTS
FOR RALLY SINCE REFUSAL.

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SOLDIER FIELD HOST TO POLISH MILLENIUM CELEBRATION
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CHICAGO PD AND [REDACTED] WILL IMMEDIATELY ADVISE IF
ADDITIONAL KLAN INQUIRIES RECEIVED.

CINCINNATI WILL KEEP CHICAGO ADVISED OF ALL PERTINENT
DEVELOPMENTS RE POSSIBLE KLAN RALLY. AIRMAIL COPIES TO
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TO DIRECTOR, CINCINNATI, ATLANTA AND SAVANNAH
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RE CINCINNATI TELETYPE TO DIRECTOR, CHICAGO, ATLANTA
 INSTANT CAPTIONED NKKKK.

FOR INFO CINCINNATI, CHICAGO UNLISTED TELEPHONE NUMBERS
 ARE [REDACTED] CINCINNATI ADVISE CODE NAME OF [REDACTED]
 (PROB) AND INSTRUCT INFORMANT TO CONTACT CHICAGO OFFICE, IF
 SECURITY PERMITS, AGENTS [REDACTED] OR [REDACTED] OR
 DUTY AGENT RECEIVING CALL. NO KNOWN NKKKK GROUP ACTIVE IN
 ILLINOIS. ADDRESS [REDACTED] IS HEADQUARTERS OF
 NSRP WHICH HAS SCHEDULED RALLY 3 PM AUGUST 21 NEXT IN MARQUETTE
 PARK, CHICAGO, SCENE OF DISORDERS DURING RECENT MARCHES IN THAT
 AREA BY CHICAGO FREEDOM MOVEMENT (CFM) SOUTHERN CHRISTIAN

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ATLANTA ALERT NKKKK SOURCES AND SAVANNAH NSRP SOURCES TO IMMEDIATELY FURNISH ANY INFO RE ACTIVITIES THOSE GROUPS IN CHICAGO AREA. CHICAGO PD ADVISED. CHICAGO SOURCES ASSIGNED. CHICAGO FOLLOWING CLOSELY. AIRMAIL COPY TO CLEVELAND AND LOUISVILLE. USA, SECRET SERVICE, MILITARY ADVISED.

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RE CINCINNATI TELETYPE TO DIRECTOR, CHICAGO, ATLANTA

INSTANT CAPTIONED NKKKK.

FOR INFO CINCINNATI, CHICAGO UNLISTED TELEPHONE

ARE [REDACTED]. CINCINNATI ADVISE CODE NAME OF [REDACTED]

(PROB) AND INSTRUCT INFORMANT TO CONTACT CHICAGO OFFICE, IF

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TO DIRECTOR AND ST. LOUIS

FROM CHICAGO 200045

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RE ST. LOUIS AIRTEL TO BUREAU, AUGUST 18 LAST.

FOR INFO ST. LOUIS, CHICAGO UNLISTED TELEPHONE NUMBERS

ARE [REDACTED] ST. LOUIS ADVISE CODE NAME OF [REDACTED]

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OR DUTY AGENT RECEIVING CALL.

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